



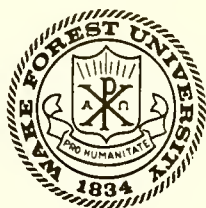
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# A HISTORY OF CEDAR FORK BAPTIST CHURCH 1805-1970



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*Mrs. Bertha P. Shipp*



*Rev. Louis T. Stokes*



*Miss Beulah Walton*

#### THE "CHURCH HISTORY" COMMITTEE

At the suggestion of the Pastor, Louis T. Stokes, Cedar Fork Baptist Church, in 1969, appointed the persons pictured above to serve as a committee to prepare a written history of the church.



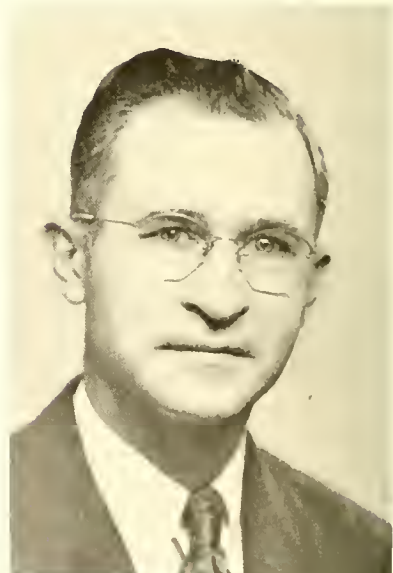
Dr. L. E. M. Freeman  
1913-1922  
1924-1929



Rev. T. Rupert Coleman  
1929-1932



Rev. Clarence Baker  
1933-1938



Rev. N. A. Catlett  
1939-1946





*Dr. Robert L. Holt*  
1946-1950



*Rev. E. Weldon Johnson*  
1951-1952



*Rev. Gerald W. Naylor*  
1952-1955



*Rev. Alex L. Booth*  
1955-1959



*Rev. Charles W. Thompson  
and Family 1964-1967*



*Rev. J. Carlton Duke & Family  
1959-1963*



*Rev. Louis T. Stokes and Family  
July 1968-Present*

## HISTORY OF CEDAR FORK BAPTIST CHURCH FROM 1805 TO 1970

Present members of Cedar Fork Baptist Church are proud of its history as a force for good in our community. Early rules sometimes reflect the severe practices of the times. Even the terminology is severe. When one was excluded from membership, the term used in writing of it was "excommunicated." The most bizarre reasons for excommunication were "fiddling and dancing" and "challenging to a duel." Great preachers have served. Their salaries have ranged from \$40.00 per year in 1805 to \$5,800.00 in 1970. Cedar Fork is known as the "mother of churches." As such her own membership has declined at times.

In 1804 the Flat River Association sent three men to assist in the organization of this church. The presbytery appointed by Flat River Association consisted of George Roberts, Isaac Hicks, and Roland Gooch, but only George Roberts and Roland Gooch came to help establish the church. Cedar Fork was organized April 22, 1805. The first pastor was Ezekiel Trice. He served for 33 years. Joseph Barbee and Thomas Johnson were deacons, and 48 other members made a total charter membership of 51.

The first location was near the head of Cedar Fork Creek in Wake County, from whence the church derived its name. This location is said to have been one mile below the present building. The first building was constructed of logs. The lumber for the church was sawed with whipsaws. A gallery was included on one side of the building to take care of the Colored congregation. By 1859 the Colored people totaled 50. (The slaves in the community were baptized and accepted as members of Cedar Fork.)

The committee writing this history has access to minutes from 1859. Earlier records are missing. It happens that a short history was included in the minutes of the Centennial Celebration in 1905. In the first part of the record book beginning in 1859 are Rules of Decorum, which are included here because of their interest:

Rules of Decorum for the Church of Cedar Fork, Wake County  
N. C.

- 1st. Conference should be opened and closed by prayers and praises to God.
- 2nd. The Decorum should be read if thought necessary, and a moderator shall be chosen if necessary.
- 3rd. A door of experience shall be opened at each conference if thought necessary.
- 4th. The standing of the church shall be inquired into.
- 5th. If any male member shall fail to attend conference one day, he shall appear at the next and make his excuse or be dealt with as the church may think proper.
- 6th. Only one member shall speak at a time in conference, who shall arise to his feet to address the moderator.
- 7th. The person speaking shall not be interrupted by any person except the moderator until done speaking.
- 8th. There shall be no remarks made on his slips, failings, or imperfections.
- 9th. No person shall be at liberty of laughing or vain talking in time of conference.
- 10th. No person shall be at liberty of speaking to more than one subject without leave from the conference.
- 11th. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the conference without liberty for the same.
- 12th. Any member, being wounded with his or her brother or sister, not taking the gospel steps, but telling it abroad, shall be dealt with as in other cases.
- 13th. Any member witting or knowing break any of these rules shall be dealt with as the church may think proper.

Next in this minute book was the church roll divided into male and female members. Men and women always sat separately in the church. A third list was of Colored members of Cedar Fork Baptist Church. They are listed by first name only. First conference minutes available are for the meeting of June, 1859 which included an account of the reception of members and a baptism of six.

At the conference of July, 1859, delegates were appointed to the Raleigh Association,\* held at Cumberland Union. Brothers H. Weatherspoon and Wesley Marcom were appointed, with S. Scott, alternate. Two dollars was sent for Association fund. By request of Brother H. Weatherspoon the church granted leave to the trustees of the Cedar Fork Academy to build an academy on her land.

In August of this year there was a protracted meeting (name given to revivals in those days). Dr. C. T. Horton was received into the church. At the September conference, 1859, a collection was taken up for the support of Home and Foreign Missions and Education. Sunday morning Dr. C. T. Horton was baptized.

In the conference of December, 1859, the church extended the offer of the pastorate to Johnson Olive, who had resigned to go West, but had not done so on account of sickness. The church drew up resolutions assuring everyone that their action was not done to the prejudice of the one who had served when Mr. Olive was thought to be leaving, A. D. Blackwood. The church had copies of the resolutions "spread upon the records of the church and forwarded to the editor of Biblical Recorder, with a request to publish the same."

In the latter part of Ezekiel Trice's pastorate a new framed house was built behind the location of the church that was later moved across the road. The land that the church owned was donated at that time by Lewis Herndon.\*\* During Rev. Christopher Columbus Newton's pastorate there came a severe snow storm so heavy that it caused the rafters to slip out of place over the edge of the house structure so it was necessary to build a new church-house.

\*Raleigh Association was organized in 1805. Cedar Fork Church joined Raleigh Association in 1811, left and joined Mt. Zion Association in 1870. From "A History of North Carolina Baptists 1727-1932," by M. A. Huggins.

\*\*This is a statement from some notes, but the land for the first church building was donated by Joseph Jones, according to the deed drawn and registered in 1834, and naming Edmund Herndon and John Hill as the deacons receiving the land for Cedar Fork Church.-Editor



Jonathan Stephens, Nat Warren, and Ridley Warren sawed all the lumber to build the church. Jonathan Stephens was a carpenter and a preacher too. He made a request to preach the first sermon in the church when it was completed; so he was the first to preach in the new house.

The church was built before the North Carolina Railroad. Before the railroad was built, the congregation got water from a spring just over the site the railroad later occupied where W. H. Morris's sawmill later stood. Because of ill convenience of "climbing" the railroad bank to get to the spring, the railroad company bore the expenses of digging a well.

Reverend A. D. Blackwood was the first pastor on record to receive as much as \$100.00 a year. Reverend C. C. Newton was the only one for the first hundred years who received as much as \$200.00 a year.

At February conference, 1860, letters of dismissal were granted William N. Womble and A. S. Jones.

In the conference of March, 1860, letters of dismissal were granted Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Dupree and to Mr. Wm. S. Pope. Leave of general absence was granted Sidney Weatherspoon.

In conference of April, 1860, delegates to Union Meeting at Ephesus were appointed: Wesley Marcom, J. R. Marcom, Williamson Page, and R. T. Weatherspoon. The treasurer was authorized to pay Benjamin Smith \$3.00 for keeping the meeting house in good order. A committee of R. T. Weatherspoon, H. Weatherspoon, and Needham Stone was appointed to superintend the repairing of the church.

In minutes of the conference of May, 1860, mention is made of a report of the Building Committee. At this meeting the church granted leave to the students of Cedar Fork Academy to hold their examinations and exercises in the church.

At the conference of July, 1860, Miss Mary Marshall was received by relating experience as a member of the church.

At the conference of August, 1860, H. Weatherspoon, Wesley Marcom, and S. Scott were elected delegates to the Association, and \$2.00 was sent as Association fund. Sunday morning the church met at the water and Mary Marshall was baptized. At the next meeting it was decided to send the



money which had been intended for the Association to the Convention instead.\*

At the conference of October, 1860, letters of dismission were granted Sempsey Sorrell and John T. Trice. There was a protracted meeting. There were several converts. In the conference of November, 1860, a question was proposed for discussion at the next conference: "Is there any Scriptural authority for the course pursued by Baptist churches in asking a great many questions of applicants for admission into our churches?" The church appointed as a committee to superintend repairs of the church H. Weatherspoon, Ph. H. Barbee, Williamson Page, Needham Stone, and John R. Marcom. Sunday morning the church met at the water and Frances Shipp, Martha J. Marcom, Matthew Edwards, and Joseph Scott were baptized.

It was the conference of January, 1861, that charged a member with sending a challenge to fight a duel, and appointed a disciplinary committee to see about the charge. Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mr. Mark Stone and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Horton.

At the conference of February, 1861, the member accused of challenging one to fight a duel was excluded.

In the conference of March, 1861, H. Weatherspoon was authorized to settle with the contractor for covering the church.

In April, 1861, letters of dismission were granted John Sorrell and his sister, Biddy Sorrell. Brother Weatherspoon requested \$15.75 to be entered on the church book which he held.

In May, 1861, Wm. H. Harward was received by letter from Mt. Pisgah Church.

\*On May 8, 1845 in Augusta, Georgia, three hundred and twenty-eight men from eight States and the District of Columbia met and organized the Southern Baptist Convention. Page 253 "North Carolina Baptists 1727-1932," M. A. Huggins. Ibid. page 253 "In 1898 the State Convention met in Greenville where it had been organized in 1830." [The editor of this history does not know which convention is intended by the minutes quoted here concerning Cedar Fork Church.]

In August, 1861, conference, Wm. Barbee and Wesley Marcom, with J. R. Marcom, alternate, were appointed delegates to the association to meet at Holly Springs in September. Two dollars for associational fund was sent. P. H. Barbee was appointed to take charge of the church and the key. J. R. Marcom was appointed church clerk.

The church adopted resolutions as follows:

Whereas--in view of the present unhappy condition of our country, we as members of the Church of Christ, bewail our manifold transgressions, and bow in humble humiliation to the Great I Am, and

Therefore, as a Church of Christ, we must not forget the assembling of ourselves together in humble prayer before God. If we desire our happiness, the happiness of our friends and relations, and the peace, and independence, of our country, Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we will by divine sanction meet with this church as often as convenient for the purpose of praying for the prosperity of Zion, the safety of our friends and relations in battle and in the peace, and independence of our country.
2. Resolved secondly:  
That we will implore Almighty God to protect our absent brethren, members of this church, now or hereafter engaged in the field of battle.

"In the record, little had been said about the Civil War--never mentioned, as I remember, as the Civil War or the War Between the States." (Editor)

At the conference of September, 1861, Wm. R. Suitt was received by relation of grace. Jacob Maynard was granted a letter of dismission.

At the October meeting delegates were appointed to the Union Meeting to be held at Wake Cross Roads; namely, Needham Stone, H. Weatherspoon, Wesley Marcom, Samuel Morgan, Samuel Marcom, Mordacai Marcom, and James Stone.

The minutes of the July conference were amended to read: "By request of Bro. H. Weatherspoon, the church granted leave to the trustees of Cedar Fork Academy to build an Academy on

the land belonging to the church and instructed the trustees of the church to grant to the trustees of the Academy a right and title to the same for the use of said trustees of the Academy and to their successors in office."

In October, 1861, conference Martha E. Scott and Nancy Manard were received by relation of grace.

A committee was appointed to apportion each male member an amount to pay pastor for the current year. The committee was R. T. Weatherspoon, L. Herndon, Wm. Barbee, John Scott, and Needham Stone, to report at next conference.

May Terry, Susan A. Terry, and Luisa Hopson were granted letters of dismissal. In the conference of November, 1861, Clary Edwards, Elizabeth Edwards, and John R. Clements were received by relation of grace. The apportionment committee reported and their report was accepted. On Sunday morning the church met at the water and baptized Joanna Morgan, Clary Edwards, Elizabeth Edwards, Martha Scott, William R. Suitt, John R. Clements, and Nancy Manard.

In the conference of January, 1862, a letter of dismissal was granted Wm. H. Harward. In the conference of April, 1862, the church made an order to draw an account against the estate of a brother excluded for perjury, and present to another brother with the same last name, and to present the amount to the Brother Johnson Olive, as indebted. In the conference of June, 1862, the sermon was by T. W. Young. In the conference of July, 1862, the pastor, A. D. Blackwood, was back.

In the conference of August, 1862, J. R. Marcom, N. Stone were elected delegates to the Association to be held at New Bethel in September, with Wesley Marcom as alternate. Association fund of \$2.00 was to be sent.

In the conference of September, 1862, a collection was taken up for colportage among the soldiers. The result of this collection was \$56.05. Letters of dismissal were granted Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bagwell at this meeting.

Again at the November, 1862, conference the sermon was by T. W. Young.

In January, 1863, A. D. Blackwood was called by the church for the coming year, through H. Weatherspoon, and the call was accepted. In February, 1863, so few were present that there was no conference. In May, 1863, conference was

organized by calling the male and female members. Malinda Fletcher, Harriet Marshall, and Sarah A. Marshall were received as members.

In the conference of June, 1863, Eliza W. Holloway was received into membership. The church agreed to release Brother Blackwood from this church to preach to the soldiers whenever he wanted to and to pay his expenses when thus engaged.

In July, 1863, W. Edwards and Mrs. Ann Massey were received for baptism. Needham Stone and William Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association. Three dollars and seventy-five cents was raised to pay for printing the minutes of the Association. An entry in the minutes of this meeting is: "Through Bro. H. Weatherspoon's request we will not publish his name as a licentiate." The dictionary defines "licentiate" as, among other meanings, "One who has a license to practice a profession, esp. one granted by a university or other degree-conferring body, as a licentiate in medicine or theology; also in some churches, as the Presbyterian, one licensed to preach but not yet installed as a pastor." Evidently Mr. Weatherspoon did not want any false ideas about his being a preacher!

The October, 1863, meeting was protracted for 14 days by the pastor. Thirty-five professed conversion. At the close of the meeting 50 were added to the church by baptism. Polly Weaver, a free woman, applied for membership, and the case was referred to the next meeting for investigation.

In November, 1863, T. W. Young preached and acted as moderator pro tem. It was agreed to pay the pastor \$200.00 for his services this year.

In December, 1863, conference Willis Edwards, and Mongo, servant of Wm. Barbee, were received by letter from Salem Church.

In January, 1864, Allen, Servant of Capt. George's estate, asked for and was granted a letter of dismissal. In July, 1864, I. P. Napry was received as a member. There was another collection for army colportage.

In August, 1864, N. Stone, Hiram Weatherspoon, and Williamson Page were chosen as delegates and alternate to the next Association. A collection was taken up to pay part of the pastor's salary.

In the absence of the pastor in August, 1864, H. Weatherspoon was appointed moderator. Agnes Freeman was received into the church. William Clements was granted a letter of dismission. The church elected A. D. Blackwood pastor for 1865. In January, 1865, the meeting was not held on account of inclement weather.

In the meeting of April, 1865, it was ordered that the enclosure around the church should be sold and the proceeds from the sale paid over to the treasurer. The deacons and N. Stone and R. T. Weatherspoon were the committee.

At the meeting of July, 1865, a vigilant committee of five: H. Weatherspoon, Wesley Marcom, G. W. Barbee, John Scott, and N. Stone was appointed. Privilege was given the Colored People to make suitable preparations and hold Sabbath School on the grounds on condition that they conduct themselves with propriety, to be judged by the deacons of the church.

The sermon of August, 1865, was by P. W. Dowd. Delegates to the Association to be held at Ephesus Church were appointed. They were Needham Stone, Hiram Weatherspoon, and Williamson Page, alternate. It was agreed to send \$2.00 for the Association fund.

In September, 1865, Brother Weatherspoon requested that his name should be moved from the vigilant committee. This was done. Dunkan Green was received into the church by a certificate that stated that he had been regularly baptized. One member was excluded for pilfering. In November, 1865, the church elected A. D. Blackwood as pastor. In December, 1865, Rufus Barbee and Samuel M. Morgan and his family were granted letters. Sidney Scott and James H. Stone were elected as additional deacons for the church. In February, 1866, letters of dismission were granted to the Wesley Marcom family and to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Suit. R. T. Weatherspoon and James Stone, S. Scott and W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed to change the direction of the stove pipe and make such other alternations of the same as they thought proper. Wm. Barbee was added to the vigilant committee. Wm. H. Weatherspoon was elected to fill the vacancy in the deaconship occasioned by the withdrawal of Wesley Marcom. In February, 1866, there was an ordination of deacons, P. W. Dowd and A. D. Blackwood, acting as a Presbytery; Mr. Dowd delivered the sermon. In May, 1866, Christopher Herndon and



Alfred Page were baptized. In July, 1866, Mr. Blackwood presented the claims of the Biblical Recorder, and some subscriptions were taken.

In the September, 1866, meeting delegates were appointed to the Raleigh Association, to be held at Olive's Chapel. Delegates were Sidney Scott and Needham Stone, with William Barbee as alternate.

In the meeting of October, 1866, the sermon was by J. Wilson. The church accepted the invitation of Thos. W. Young and other brothers to send a delegation to meet them at their new meeting house near Morrisville on Oct. 12, 1866, with a view to constituting a church at that place, and appointed S. Scott and N. Stone. Letters of dismission were granted to Wm. Barbee, Jipe Marnond, John W. Mainard, Nancy Mainard, Eliza Morgan, Carolina Morgan, Dicy Upchurch, Barbery Mainard, Madison Barbee, and Madison Marcom, S. A. Marcom, S. C. Marcom, D. H. Marcom, Jas. Milder, Calvin D. Edwards.

It was agreed to appoint five brothers whose duty it should be to assess the amount that each member should pay of right, annually into the hands of the treasurer of the church for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the church, including the pastor's salary. The committee was J. Scott, S. Scott, N. Stone, W. H. Weatherspoon, and H. Weatherspoon.

In the November, 1866, meeting a committee was appointed to receive the money that the assessment committee had assessed. The committee was Weston Edwards, G. W. Barbee, Joseph Marshal, and W. D. Carlton. Willie Mainard was granted a letter of dismission.

In the meeting of December, 1866, the treasurer was ordered to pay the pastor \$100.00 as salary. A committee was appointed on repairs to the church building. It was W. H. Weatherspoon, G. W. Barbee, and H. Weatherspoon.

In the meeting of February, 1867, Francus Kelly was granted a letter of dismission. Mr. Blackwood presented the claims of Biblical Recorder and proposed to take subscriptions. The same members that had served on the vigilant committee the last year were reappointed for 1867.

In March, 1867, Nancy Smith was received by letter from Bethel Church. The committee on collection was continued. One member felt, he stated, that the amount assessed to him was more than he felt able to pay. The amount was reduced.



Another brother was excused from payment of his assessment because of an operation on the part of his father. Sidney Scott was added to the Vigilant Committee. Letters of dismission were granted Mary Herndon, Clotilda Baucom, Margaret Williams, Augustine Herndon, and Christopher Herndon. In April, 1867, the sermon was by Elder Thos W. Young. Letters of dismission were granted Delaney Searls, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Powell, and a letter was granted the Colored member, Calvin Sears.

In the June, 1867, meeting a letter of dismission was granted Dempsey Freedman, formerly a servant of Alfred Jones.

In the September, 1867, meeting it was decided to send delegates to the Association to be held at Friendship, Harnett County. The church appointed Wm. D. Carlton, W. H. Weatherspoon, with Needham Stone, alternate, the church sending \$2.50 for Association fund. The same assessment committee of the preceding year was continued. It was decided to continue this meeting as a protracted meeting. At a called meeting September 7, 1867, Abel Edwards, Alfred Morris, Henry Barbee, Newton Jones, Eugenia Barbee, Deliza Stone, Hellen Stone, Hasseltine Stone were received as members. On Sunday morning John Edwards was received. September 14, 1867, Martha A. F. Clements, Geneva C. Thompson, and Eliza J. Beasley were received. After this, baptism was administered to eleven.

In the October, 1867, meeting a committee was appointed to consider a report upon a separation of the white and Colored members of the church. The committee consisted of H. Weatherspoon, G. W. Barbee, John Scott, Sidney Scott, and Wm. H. Weatherspoon. A letter as prepared by the clerk to the Association was read and received. Mary, a freed woman, was granted a letter of dismission. The committee on separation retired for a short time. Upon returning, they submitted the following report, which was adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the consideration of the white and Colored membership of this church begs leave to submit the following report.

The subject is one of grave importance and one that has for the last few years puzzled churches, associations, and conventions to know what course to pursue, but it seems

now that the mystery heretofore connected with the matter is at least to some extent removed. This will appear by consulting their (The Colored members') inclinations, as manifested in the course they are pursuing. We see they are inclined, very much inclined, to independent action in religious matters as well as everything else, and seem to have no heart to worship God (even at churches where their memberships are) with the white race. This of itself, to our minds, very clearly indicates the course to be pursued, and that is a dissolution of our relationship as church members.

We would, therefore, recommend that the Colored members of this church be requested to withdraw from the church, and organize churches of their own race and color, where they can worship God without restraint and embarrassment.

All of which is respectfully submitted. Hiram Weather-spoon, chairman committee.

The meeting of November, 1867, granted letters of dismission to Nancy Adams, Sarah Adams, Jane Harward, and Sarah Crabtree.

The pastor, A. D. Blackwood, was extended an indefinite call to the pastorate. In the December, 1867, meeting Delaney F. Barbee was granted a letter of dismission. The treasurer was ordered to pay the pastor \$100.00 as salary for his services this year.

In the January, 1868, meeting Sara Carlton was granted a letter. The treasurer reported, and the following report was received and ordered to be spread on the minutes for the year 1866:

G. W. Barbee	\$31.75	Checks Paid	
W. D. Carlton	22.75	Our Pastor, A.D. Blackwood	\$100.00
W. Edwards	36.75	For well repair	.55
J. Marshall	<u>29.75</u>	For gallon wine	2.50
Total	121.00	For Association fund	<u>2.50</u>
			105.55
		Balance on hand	15.45

In the February, 1868, meeting charges were preferred against all the Colored members of the church for general absence and other disorderly conduct. After some discussion their cases were continued.

The treasurer was notified that his report for last year would be called for at the next meeting. James W. Barbee was appointed sexton for the year.

In March, 1868, several of the Colored members who had been charged with general absence and other misconduct appeared and made excuses. They were forgiven and granted letters of dismissal. The others were excluded. Some upon making excuses, were retained in fellowship.

The treasurer gave the report for 1867 as follows:

On hand from last year	\$15.45
Recd. of G. W. Barbee, Collector	19.25
" " J. Marshall	17.50
" " W. Edwards	23.00
" " W. D. Carlton	<u>17.25</u>
	92.45

Paid our pastor, A. D. Blackwood  
Feb. 27, 1868 \$92.45

The collectors were to be notified that their report would be called for at next meeting. At the April, 1868, meeting the collectors reported, and were continued with the request to see those that had failed to pay the amounts assessed to them and to collect them or cite the delinquents to conference to show cause of their delinquency. A member stated that he was not able to pay the amount assessed to him and was relieved of the same.

In the May meeting the sermon was by Brother Philips, Agent of the Board of Foreign Missions, who had been invited to present the claim of the Board of Foreign Missions, and to take a collection. Brother Hughes was present and presented the claims of the Biblical Recorder in some brief and forcible remarks. The collectors were not ready to report; so they were continued.

The August, 1868, meeting was mentioned as Communion Day. The preacher made some touching remarks about the duty of communing.

At the September, 1868, meeting a committee of assessment was appointed. Eliza Lynn was granted a letter of dismissal. W. D. Carlton, Sidney Scott, and James Morris,

alternate, were appointed delegates to the Association, and the church agreed to send \$2.50 for the Association Fund.

At a called conference in September, 1868, P. H. Barbee, R. H. Slater, Caroline F. Barbee, Bunny C. Marshall, Martha E. Lowe, Sarah E. Jones, Alice Jenkins, Martha A. Page, Eliza V. Weatherspoon, Lorenzo E. Blackwood, Hasseltine J. Weatherspoon, and Magnus A. Smith were received into the church membership. On Sunday morning baptism was administered to twelve of them.

At the meeting of October, 1868, J. C. Maynard was granted a letter of dismissal. The Associational letter was read.

At the meeting of November, 1868, a committee to collect the amounts assessed was appointed. It consisted of Weston Edwards, G. W. Barbee, Joseph Marshall, and W. D. Carlton. The treasurer, Sidney Scott, made the report for 1868:

Recd. since last report	\$24.20
Paid Jas. W. Barbee	1.00
" for one hymn book	1.50
" " " key to the church	.50
" Association Fund	2.50
" A. D. Blackwood balance salary	<u>7.55</u>
	13.05
Balance due Nov. 1	\$11.15

At the December, 1868, meeting letters of dismissal were granted Willis Edwards and Mary T. Trice, on condition that they join some other regular Baptist church. The treasurer was authorized to pay the pastor \$100.00 and Right Stone \$4.00 for their services.

In February, 1868, a letter of dismissal was granted Eliza Sears. On motion each member was requested to contribute monthly to the church fund such amounts as they felt under obligation to contribute. In March, 1868, Sidney Scott was allowed \$6.00 for his services as sexton the past year, and was reappointed for the current year. In April Sister Hasty Womble was received by letter from Mt. Pisgah Church. A letter of dismissal was granted Abel Edwards. In June, 1869, L. Mc. Weatherspoon was received into the church. Letters of dismissal were granted M. S. Carlton,

Jacob Hayes, and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Atkins. Collectors were requested to report at next meeting and to cite all delinquents to meet with the conference and answer charges for their delinquency. In the July meeting the collectors reported and were continued. One member was relieved of the part assessed to her. D. W. Carlton was granted a letter of dismission. In the September, 1869, conference delegates were appointed to the Association: Hiram Weatherspoon, Sidney Scott, Williamson Page, Weston Edwards, and William H. Morris. It was agreed to pay \$2.50 Association Fund. First Sunday, September, 1869, H. E. Lester, Virginia Clements, Frances C. Clements, Elizabeth Lowe, Eliza T. Weatherspoon, E. E. Green, Mary A. Green, Mary Burgess, Sarah A. Burgess, Ann E. Slater, Malinda Slater, Mary J. Green, Delaney A. Johnson, Elizabeth F. Burgess, Louisa A. Fletcher, Sarah F. Stone, Sarah A. Payne, Mary A. Lowe, George C. Booth, Hiram S. Barbee, Wm. O. Stone, Christopher Barbee, H. E. Lynn, Columbus Page, Reuben Shipp, Gaston E. Riggsbee, Andrew J. Weatherspoon, William A. Burgess, Basil H. Green, Isiah Green, William A. Slater, William J. Williams, J. W. Cook, Henderson Clements, John T. Strayhorn, John T. Scott, candidates, were received for baptism. On Monday, September 11, 1868, Asa Green, Matthew Lowe, Virgil S. Barbee, John W. Merritt, John J. Holloway, Virginia H. Carlton, Louvinia Edwards, Lany Edwards, and William Burgess were received. Then the ordinance of baptism was administered to 43 applicants, after which they were received into the fellowship of the church. In the October, 1869, meeting Thomas Bain was received by letter from Mt. Herman Church. The treasurer offered his report for the year 1868.

#### Treasurer's Report for 1868

Balance on hand last year	\$11.15
Recd. from collection	
W. D. Carlton	24.75
G. W. Barbee	18.00
J. Marshal	20.25
W. Edwards	<u>32.25</u>
	106.40

Paid A. D. Blackwood, pastor	\$100.00
Paid S. Scott, sexton	6.00
Due treasurer	<u>2.60</u>
	108.60

October 2, 1869

In the absence of the pastor, service was held by W. H. Weatherspoon. Sidney Scott was moderator, pro tem. Thomas Bain was received by letter from Mt. Herman Church. Wm. D. Carlton was appointed delegate to attend the Association in place of Mr. Morris, removed. Mary A. Wren was received by letter from Sandy Level Church. Letters were granted Wm. B. Clements, his wife, and two daughters, and to Hugh E. Lyons and J. P. Moring. The clerk was instructed to forward a certificate stating that Mary B. Wood had been a member of our church and had applied for and received a letter of dismissal. In the December, 1869, meeting the treasurer was authorized to pay the pastor \$100.00 as salary for the year.

In the January, 1870, meeting Ph. H. Barbee was elected treasurer; and Basil H. Green, sexton of the church. A communication was received from James M. Morris, of Tennessee accompanied by a contribution of \$5.00 to the church funds. Virgil Barbee was granted a letter of dismissal. A letter from G. F. Pescud, of Raleigh, Agent for National Life Insurance Company, arrived in regard to insurance for the pastor. Consideration of the matter was referred to next conference. In the April meeting it was first resolved to request the pastor to spend more time in visiting and counseling his members, but the vote to consult the pastor about such actions was not passed.

In May, 1870, J. Olive preached the sermon and served as moderator. The same assessment committee as the one who served the year before was retained: R. T. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, Richard Edwards, Joseph Marshal, and Thos. Marcom, Jr. At the June meeting, 1870, the same committee as served to collect amounts assessed for the present year was continued. J. W. Cook was granted a letter of dismissal.

In July, 1870, the letter of dismissal granted to Eliza Sears in February was returned, as she desired to remain in



the church. William Rosier was granted a letter of dismission. In August, 1870, some people whose letters had not been used to join other churches were sent inquiries about their failure to join some church. Abel Edwards was received by letter from New Bethel Church. At the September, 1870, meeting the pastor was absent, and the service was conducted by Hiram Weatherspoon. A letter of dismission was granted Margaret M. Howard. As delegates to the Association to be held at Shady Grove, Wake County, N. C., the church elected W. H. Weatherspoon, P. H. Barbee, W. H. Edwards, W. D. Carlton, N. Stone, and agreed to send \$2.50, Association Fund.

In October, 1870, the letter was read. This was the letter to the Association. At a called conference October 6, 1870, Miat M. Arendle and Mary F. Merritt were received for baptism. October 9 these were baptized, as were Malphus Burgess and Louvenia Edwards. In November, 1870, a letter of dismission was granted James M. Moring, of Tennessee. It was agreed to send two delegates, W. D. Carlton and Wm. Scott, to the Baptist State Convention. At the December, 1870, meeting the treasurer was ordered to pay the pastor's salary of \$100.00 and \$6.00 to the sexton. B. H. Green was reappointed sexton.

At the January, 1871, conference Marquis Carlton was received by letter from Bethany Church. It was agreed not to require excuses for absences for the current year. At the February meeting Corney Byrd was received by letter from Bethany Church. John W. Merritt was granted a letter of dismission. The March and April conferences were canceled on account of rain. Communion was observed on a Sunday in May. In the June, 1871 meeting Jane Batchelor was received from Mt. Moriah Church and Martha J. Driver was received from Mill Creek Church. The same collectors were continued for the year and requested to report at the next conference. A committee was appointed to repair the well. Robert D. Stone was granted a letter of dismission. In the August, 1871, meeting the assessment committee was appointed: W. H. Morris, W. H. Weatherspoon, John S. Scott, and R. H. Slater. The treasurer was ordered to pay Wm. Scott \$7.00 for labor and lumber. The clerk offered his resignation and Weston Edwards was elected, but at September, 1871, meeting it was

reported that Weston Edwards declined to accept the position of church clerk. Sidney Scott was elected in his stead. W. D. Carlton, John T. Scott, N. Stone, M. L. Carlton, and W. H. Morris were elected delegates to the Association to be held with the Hepsibah Church, Wake County, N. C. W. H. Morris was elected assistant church clerk. The church sent \$2.50, Association Fund.

In October, 1871, W. H. Holloway joined the church. A committee was appointed to assist a group in Berea Church in a matter of discipline. The letter to the Association was read. It was decided to send \$26.00 in the Associational letter as a gift to the Beneficence at Wake Forest College and \$20.00 to the Sunday School Fund. In December, 1871, O. P. Dupree and his wife, Elizabeth Dupree, were received from Shady Grove Church. Basil H. Green was reappointed sexton for the coming year.

In the conference of May, 1872, the Decorum Rules were read. In this May meeting a committee was appointed to consider the propriety of having preaching oftener than once a month. Three members were received by baptism; namely, Henrietta J. Holloway, W. H. Holloway, and Nancy C. Brown. In the June conference it was agreed to meet on church day at the hour of 10 o'clock for the purpose of prayer. In the July, 1872, conference Rufus Lawrence was received by letter from Mt. Moriah Church. In this meeting the proposal to have church oftener than once a month was indefinitely postponed.

In August, 1872, a letter of dismissal was granted Winnie A. Shipp. In September, 1872, delegates were elected to the next Raleigh Association: William H. Weatherspoon, Needham Stone, William H. Morris, Weston Edwards, and T. H. Barbee, alternates: Marcus L. Carlton and William B. Scott. The Association Fund of \$2.50 was to be paid to the delegates and also a collection was taken up for the purpose of assisting to build a house of worship in Rome, Italy.

In September, 1872, after a 9-day protracted meeting, Henrietta Green, Ida M. Smith, Henrietta W. Bowers, Nancy Ida Dupree, Ary F. Rodes, Julia G. Lester, Della J. Carlton, Lydia A. Hopson, Mary J. Williams, Sarah J. Merritt, Unity R. Lester, Mollie G. Scott, Margaret A. Stone, Ann E. Smith,

Fanny Lester, John B. Gunter, James T. Williams, Leroy M. Morris, William Shamly, William J. Holloway, William A. Jenkins, William C. Maynard, Charley Knight were baptized. In the October, 1872, meeting a letter of dismission was granted Charles Knight. It was agreed to send to the Association \$18.00 for Home Missions in the bounds of the Association. The letter to the Association was read. In November, 1872, conference a collection was taken up for the benefit of the beneficiaries at Wake Forest College consisting of money, clothes, and provisions.

In the December, 1872, conference a letter of dismission was granted Sister V. C. Ayer. The treasurer was authorized to have the windows of the church repaired. Basil Green was reappointed sexton for the ensuing year. The treasurer was authorized to pay the sexton for the preceding year. It was decided to donate the assistance secured from the church to the Beneficiaries at Wake Forest College to Brother J. H. Booth.

In January, 1873, a letter of dismission was granted W. C. Maynard. It was agreed that absentees were not to be required to make excuses for the ensuing year. The February, 1873, conference granted letters to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Carlton. A letter was also granted Joseph D. Edwards. At this conference a communication was read from Church Extension Society of the State of North Carolina and, on motion an auxiliary to said Extension Society was formed.

In the conference of March, 1873, "all future letters of dismission to members were ordered limited to six months."

In May, 1873, Ann E. Sorrell and Pharisee Sorrell were received by letter from Mt. Herman Church and Emily Driver by experience of grace. F. H. Ivey delivered an address upon "Education and the Endowment of Wake Forest College." There were also remarks by Elder A. D. Blackwood on the same subject, after which a collection was taken in cash and subscription.

Sunday morning, May 11, 1873, the congregation met at the water, and the ordinance of baptism was administered to James M. Brown and Emily Driver. Afterwards all repaired to the church. There were services by S. Ivey and the Lord's Supper observed. In September, 1873, Tildy J. Morgan obtained a letter of dismission. H. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, Christopher Barbee, R. H. Barbee, and P. H. Barbee

were appointed delegates to the Raleigh Association to be held at Lillington, and the church sent \$2.50, Associational Fund. In November, 1873, letters of dismission were granted Winnie Brassfield and Roena Riggsbee, Eliza V. Weatherspoon, James M. Brown, and his wife, Lorena H. Brown. A building committee consisting of W. D. Carlton, S. Scott, H. Weatherspoon, P. H. Barbee, and N. Stone was appointed to alter and repair the church.

In the January, 1874, conference a communication was read from the Baptist Church at Jonesboro asking for a contribution to assist in building a house of worship. An amount was contributed.

In February, 1874, M. D. Holloway was received from Concord Baptist Church, Granville County, N. C., by letter. In March, 1874, the conference treasurer was ordered to pay off the indebtedness of the church, including the pastor's salary.

In the April, 1874, conference the church recommended a petition to the county commissioners of Wake County for the holding of an election in Cedar Fork Township, in accordance with the act of the Legislature of North Carolina, to prohibit the retail of spirituous liquors in said township.

In August, 1874, a letter of dismission was granted Louisa E. Blackwood. The church had a protracted meeting beginning on the fifth Sunday in August. The following were received by conversion:

Edmund Lowe	Jerry Watkins	Martha Lowe
Spencer Hurst	Cannady Lowe	Francis Hurst
Thomas Wrenn	John L. Morton	Minerva Burgess
John H. Green	William H. Morris	Mary A. Perry
Thomas Hurst	Larkin T. Wrenn	Maggie S. Hurst
Lewis Hopson	William R. Dupree	Geneva C. Fletcher
Hugh Green	Cornelius M. Edwards	Clotilda Barbee
William D. Stone	Dorsey Williams	Sarah Green
Henry O. Brown	James H. Morris	Elizabeth F. Hurst
Nancy I. Green	Ella S. Scott	

These new members were baptized Sunday morning, September 6, 1874.

One member was restored to fellowship.

In September, 1874, conference a letter of dismission was granted Emily Marcom. P. H. Barbee, W. D. Carlton, W. H. Weatherspoon, W. H. Morris, and M. R. Lowe were appointed delegates to the Raleigh Association to be held in Johnston County at Selma. Two dollars and fifty cents Association fund was sent. At this meeting Mr. Blackwood's resignation, which he had submitted, was respectfully rejected. He was re-elected. At the October meeting a letter was granted - Ridley Warren.

At the November, 1874, conference it was communicated to the church that Matthew Ferrell would preach one Sunday a month during the ensuing year if desired by the church to do so. The church requested him to do so. The church requested the clerk to inform him of the action of the church and request that he accept.

At the December, 1874, conference the same sexton was retained for the next year. At the February, 1875, conference absentees were noted, but not requested to make excuses. It was voted not to appoint the assessing committee as usual. It was also voted to have each member make a voluntary contribution to the church for church expenses for the current year, and that W. D. Carlton should superintend the same. In March a letter of dismission was granted Carney Byrd. In May letters of dismission were granted Nathaniel Shipp and Martha Turner. In June W. C. Herndon, Mr. I. S. Barbee and wife, Nancy Lowe Barbee, were received by letter from Bethany Baptist Church. In July W. D. Carlton was directed to make a suitable seat for the stand and to purchase two chairs for the use of the church. The next conference authorized the treasurer to pay W. D. Carlton \$4.25 for furnishing seat to the stand and two chairs for the use of the church.

The conference of September, 1875, elected as delegates to the Association to be held at Cary, N. C., H. Weatherspoon, R. H. Barbee, W. H. Morris, Jr., J. H. Stone, C. Barbee, and agreed to send \$2.50 Association Fund.

The October, 1875, conference read and adopted the letter to the Raleigh Association, with the proviso that statistics of the church up to the meeting of the Association should be included. A committee consisting of H. Weatherspoon, P. H. Barbee, and W. H. Weatherspoon was appointed to have the stove and chimney put in order.



After a protracted meeting the following were received by experience of grace:

Charley W. Morris	Ella J. Green
C. T. High	Alice H. Morris
Charley Hurst	Mary A. Barbee
John S. Hurst	Cornelia A. H. Marcom
George M. Green	Jennie E. Marcom
James T. Lowe	Leroy H. Page
Caswell Hurst	James Fletcher
Sally High	Henry Scoggins
Jennie V. Hayes	

These were received by letter from Brian Creek Church, Wilkes County, N. C.: M. W. Jones and Cornelia B. Jones.

In November, 1875, letters were granted to Washington Marshall, Harriet Marshall, Roena Marshall, Sarah A. Marshall, and Minerva A. Jackson. The clerk was authorized to purchase a suitable book for church records and the treasurer authorized to pay him for it. At the conference of December, 1875, it was again ordered that church letters granted should be limited to six months, and the church which the holder should join should notify the clerk of the church which granted the letter. This conference granted a letter of dismission to Henrietta J. Bowers. The treasurer was authorized to pay B. H. Green, sexton, for his services for the year. B. H. Green was elected as sexton for the next year, to receive the same compensation as the last year. It is noticeable that the members showed willingness to forgive brethren who pleaded guilty to a fault and adamant readiness to condemn those who pleaded innocent. They consistently sent that \$2.50 to the Association for the Association Fund.

In the absence of the pastor, March, 1876, J. H. Hilliard conducted the service. Sion Hopson was received by letter from Mt. Herman Church.

The financial report was given as follows:



Cr.

Paid to pastor	\$100.00	W. D. Carlton	\$126.00
Paid to sexton	6.00	Paid	<u>109.85</u>
Paid for well rope	.75		16.15
Paid S. Scott for blank book and lock	.50	Treasurer due church this day	
Paid H. Weatherspoon for repairing stove	<u>1.60</u>		
	108.85		

Letters were granted H. W. Nichols and Jane Brown and N. C. Brown.

In the April, 1876, meeting a communication was read from Boie Baptist Church asking aid to build a house of worship, for which a collection was taken up amounting to \$1.31. Letters of dismission were granted W. D. Holloway, W. H. Holloway, and Henrietta Holloway. The moderator named as delegates to the Union Meeting H. Weatherspoon, P. H. Barbee, W. D. Carlton, alternates: W. H. Weatherspoon, N. Stone, and W. H. Edwards.

In the May, 1876, meeting Rufus Barbee and wife, Eliza T. Barbee, were received by letter from Mt. Pisgah Church, and letters of dismission were granted W. H. Morris, Jr., and Cornelius Edwards.

The July, 1876, conference appointed delegates to the Union meeting to be held at this church: H. Weatherspoon, Sidney Scott, and W. H. Weatherspoon.

In September, 1876, the pastor was absent, and the sermon was by J. W. Hilliard. Mary Lawrence was received by letter from Rose of Sharon Baptist Church, and Dora Lynn and Sally Lynn, and Mollie Medlin were received by relation of grace. The church appointed delegates to the Raleigh Association to be held with the Pleasant Grove Church from Wake County, N. C., Christopher Barbee, W. H. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, P. H. Barbee, and W. H. Edwards, \$2.50 being sent for Association Fund. It appointed H. Weatherspoon, Needham Stone, and John T. Scott delegates to the next Union meeting to be held at the church at Apex, Wake County, N. C. A letter of dismission was granted A. R. Edwards. One was also granted Sarah Rogers and one to Virginia Hays. October 3, 1876,

Dora Lynn, Sally Lynn, and Mollie Medlin were baptized. November, 1876, a letter was granted Nancy Freeman. W. B. Scott, W. D. Carlton, and O. P. Dupree were appointed delegates to the Union to be held with the church at Cary, Wake County, N. C. It was decided to pay Joseph M. Hilliard \$25.00 for preaching during the year.

In February, 1877, Milton Sorrell was received by letter from Leesville Church. Letters of dismissal were granted J. H. Stone and wife Sarah Stone, and Young Stone. B. H. Green was appointed sexton for the year. W. D. Carlton was appointed collector for the year. The following question was presented by W. D. Carlton and discussed: "Is it not the duty of every male member of Cedar Fork Church to pay to the support of the pastor? If so, nothing else will excuse him but inability; and if unable, would it not be best for the willing members to give him something, so they can give?"

In March, 1877, it was decided to have the collector report quarterly. The collector was required to call the names of all members who had not paid their subscription for last year.

W. D. Carlton, O. P. Dupree, and W. H. Weatherspoon volunteered to represent the church at the Union Meeting to be held with the church at Cary, beginning Friday before 5th Sunday in next April.

In April, 1877, the sermon was preached by Elder R. Dodson. The collector obeyed the order of the church to read the list of all delinquent members who had not contributed to the support of the pastor for the past year. A committee of N. Stone, H. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, Richard Edwards, and O. P. Dupree was appointed to see the delinquent members and to know the cause.

James A. Fletcher was granted a letter of dismissal. It was agreed to try to raise by volunteer contribution \$25.00 for our pastor on account of his very short crop during the past year, on account of the drought.

In the May, 1877, meeting a decision was made that all male members should pay something to the support of the pastor each year unless disabled by poverty. M. L. Carlton was granted a letter of dismissal.

In June, 1877, letters of dismissal were granted J. Q. Edwards, J. J. Holloway, and Eliza H. Flowers.

W. D. Carlton, H. Weatherspoon, and W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held with the church at Mt. Herman beginning Friday before the 5th Sunday in next July.

In July, 1877, it was decided that in the future the church will choose the pastor instead of leaving it to the deacons, as heretofore. The church went into conference election of the pastor, but there was no choice.

In the August meeting an election of pastor was held. J. C. Wilson was elected. Later the clerk was directed to inform Elder J. C. Wilson of his call to the pastorate of the church. A letter of dismission was granted Dilly Trice (Col.) and J. L. Moton. Hiram Weatherspoon, Sidney Scott, W. H. Weatherspoon, and Williamson Page offered their resignations as deacons of the church, which were accepted.

The sermon for the meeting in September, 1877, was by Jo. M. Hilliard. Rufus Powell was received by letter from Leesville Church.

Needham Stone, O. P. Dupree, A. F. Morris, and Christopher Barbee, and Needham Stone were elected delegates to the next Association to be held with the church at Apex, Wake County, N. C.; the Associational Fund of \$2.00 was sent.

O. P. Dupree, W. D. Carlton, and J. T. Scott were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held with the church at Piney Grove.

The sermon of the October, 1877, meeting was by the pastor, Elder A. D. Blackwood. A letter was read from J. C. Wilson accepting the charge of the church for the ensuing year, to be on second Sundays instead of first Sundays as heretofore. The church accepted the change and the clerk was directed to notify Brother Wilson of the same. A letter of dismission was granted George Booth. Two members were restored to fellowship, and the following were received by experience of grace:

J. Z. Page	Laney A. Lowe
J. C. High	George C. Barbee
J. E. Morris	Martha A. Barbee
Mark A. Morris	Cora L. Page
James C. Green	R. D. Gooch

Sunday morning there was a baptism at the water of

Laney A. Lowe	J. E. Morris
George Etta Barbee	Mark A. Morris
Martha A. Barbee	J. C. High
Cora L. Page	R. D. Gooch
J. Z. Page	

Ordained as new deacons were Needham Stone, O. P. Dupree, A. F. Morris, and Christopher Barbee. Elders Blackwood and Young officiated.

At the conference November, 1877, C. H. Jackson, a deacon from Mt. Zion Church, and wife, W. A. Jackson, from the same church, were received by letter, and on motion, Brother Jackson was recognized as a deacon of this church.

S. Scott, W. D. Carlton, and W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed a committee to repair the church and stove.

The committee on repairs of the church reported at the December, 1877, meeting. On motion, the committee was continued and authorized to collect funds to repair the church and to buy a stove. Ann E. Pennington was granted a letter of dismission.

The January, 1878, conference was held on Saturday before the second Sunday. The sermon was by Elder J. C. Wilson, pastor. S. E. Page was received by letter from Mt. Herman Church. B. H. Green was elected sexton for the ensuing year. The treasurer was authorized to pay B. H. Green for his services as sexton for the past year. The Sabbath School at this place presented the church a lamp, which, on motion, was accepted.\* A letter of dismission was granted L. T. Wrenn and wife, Emma Wrenn. The clerk was appointed to examine the records of the church regarding trustees. W. D. Carlton was appointed collector of church funds for the present year.

\*[This is the first mention I have notices of a Sabbath School. Editor] [January, 1878]

February, 1878, conference heard the treasurer's report:

On hand at end of year 1875	\$ 18.00	
Recd. of Collector 1876	Cr. <u>95.75</u>	
	113.75	
Dr.		
Paid pastor for 1876	\$100.00	
Paid Sexton	6.00	
Paid Association Fund	2.50	
Paid for wine	<u>1.00</u>	
	109.50	
Cr. 113.75		
Dr. <u>109.50</u>		Money received and paid to
4.25 Due church		Brother J. W. Hilliard \$19.25

Report for 1877

On hand end of the year 1876	\$ 4.25	
Received of Collector	<u>100.00</u>	
\$104.25	104.25	
<u>104.25</u>		
000.00		
	Cr.	
Paid to pastor	\$100.00	
Paid to Association	2.50	
Paid for wine	<u>1.75</u>	
P. H. Barbee, Treasurer	104.25	

At the meeting of March, 1878, the clerk reported that he had found nothing in the records of trustees of the church. On motion, the deacons and their successors in office were appointed trustees of the church. At this meeting a rumor was investigated and decided to be untrue. A motion was made and carried that hereafter no charge should be preferred against a member on rumor. The committee on repairing the church reported that they had done their duty. Their report was received, and the committee discharged. The treasurer was authorized to pay the contractor \$6.25 for the repairing.

April, 1878, conference granted a letter of dismissal to Jane Thompson.



In May, 1878, the hearing of excuses from absentees was dispensed with, and a committee was appointed to look after absentees and ascertain the reasons for absences. W. C. Roberts was received by letter from Morrisville Church. Asa Green was granted a letter of dismissal. It was agreed to send representatives to the Southwestern Union Meeting to be held with the church at Ephesus, and H. Weatherspoon, R. H. Barbee, and W. D. Carlton were appointed as representatives.

In July, 1878, members who had been long absent were dealt with. Some were excused. Some were excluded. Letters of dismissal were granted Eliza J. Lynn and W. J. Williams. It was agreed to protract the meeting at the next regular meeting. In August, 1878, the sermon was by Reverend J. W. Hilliard. A letter previously granted to a member was recalled, and a charge of drunkenness was preferred against him. A committee was appointed to cite him and another to next conference to answer the charges. The deacons of the church were authorized to purchase a communion service, and pitcher and goblets for the use of the church. W. D. Carlton having resigned, O. P. Dupree and W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed collectors for the church. O. P. Dupree, W. S. Weatherspoon, and H. S. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Southwestern Union meeting to be held with the church at Shady Grove.

At the September, 1878, conference Elizabeth High, Etta Lawrence, Fanny E. Lee, Beady E. Lee, Betty E. Dampier, and James High were received by experience of grace. W. C. Mason was received by letter from Berea Church. C. H. Jackson, a deacon, and wife, Winnie A. Jackson were granted letters of dismissal.

W. C. Mason, M. L. Sorrell, Needham Stone, W. H. Edwards, and A. J. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the next Association. Sunday morning ordinance of baptism was administered to Elizabeth High, Etta Lawrence, Fannie E. Lee, Betty E. Dampier, and Jas. High.

In the October, 1878, meeting it was agreed to send \$2.00 to the Association. The treasurer was authorized to pay O. P. Dupree \$4.00, the amount paid by him in purchasing a set of Communion services, pitcher, etc. The pastor was unanimously

re-elected for the next year. Eliza J. Bowers was granted a letter of dismission. The church instructed delegates to the next Association to be held with this church.

In November, 1878, it was decided to let the office of sexton for the next year to the lowest bidder. H. Weatherspoon, O. P. Dupree, and A. G. Morris were appointed a committee to receive bids for the same, till next conference.

At the December, 1878, conference the sexton committee reported that H. S. Barbee had bid ten dollars, and the report was adopted. It was made the duty of committees to make reports, the same in writing, W. R. Dupree, M. L. Sorrell, H. S. Barbee, and W. D. Carlton were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting to be held in Apex, to begin Friday before the 5th Sunday in the present month.

In the January, 1879, conference services were conducted by H. Weatherspoon, in the absence of the pastor. The clerk was directed to inform a member that his letter was out of date and to request him to return it to the church. S. Scott offered his resignation as clerk. His resignation was refused. O. P. Dupree was elected Assistant Clerk.

In the February, 1879, conference the sermon was by J. W. Hilliard, in the absence of the pastor. The letter that the church had asked to be returned was returned. W. D. Carlton, P. H. Barbee, and A. J. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. Gaston E. Riggsbee, W. H. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, G. W. Barbee, and W. B. Scott were appointed a committee to assess to each member of the church the amount they should pay for church expenses. W. G. Page, Christopher Barbee, W. H. Edwards, and Joseph Marshall were appointed collectors for the present year. The treasurer was authorized to settle with our pastor for the past year if he had money enough on hand; if not, to borrow on the credit of the church.

At March, 1879, conference Florence Scott was received by letter from Oliver Branch.

In April, 1879, conference, the treasurer, P. H. Barbee, reported:

# For Year 1878

Dr.		Cr.	
Recd. from S. Scott for		Paid Pastor	\$100.00
repairing church	\$ 6.25	" O.P.Dupree for	
Association Fund	2.00	Communion Service	4.00
For Missions	.50	" N.Stone for wine	1.75
From O.P.Dupree, Collector	53.30	" for Missions	.50
From W.H.Weatherspoon, "	<u>56.50</u>	" for repairs of	
Total	118.55	church	6.25
		" Sexton	6.25
			<u>2.00</u>
			120.70
			<u>118.55</u>
		Due Treasurer	2.15

In the June, 1879, conference a letter of dismission was granted Columbus Page. The pastor was granted leave of absence the following day to preach a funeral.

In July, 1879, Williamson Page was granted a general leave of absence. It was agreed to protract the August meeting. A called conference was held and Mollie Hopson, Ida V. Weatherspoon, Rebecca F. Hopson, Elizabeth Barbee, Elizabeth Hopson, Elmyra J. High, and W. H. Page were received by experience of grace. Four former members were restored to fellowship. A letter of dismission was granted W. A. Slater. W. D. Carlton, W. H. Weatherspoon, and W. R. Dupree were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. Sunday morning those received by experience of grace were baptized, as was Alice Morris, previously received by experience.

In the absence of the pastor in September, 1879, H. Weatherspoon conducted the services. James M. Barbee, and wife, Jennie Barbee, were received by letter from Cary Church. A letter was received by the clerk from the Raleigh Association respecting the salary of M. T. Yates. The matter was postponed till next conference. Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. James Maynard and Berline Upchurch. O. P. Dupree, Needham Stone, W. H. Weatherspoon, J. W. Barbee and H. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the next Raleigh Association. The church was to send \$2.00, Association Fund. O. P. Dupree, A. F. Morris, and W. D. Carlton were appointed a committee to raise funds to buy a stove and to buy it.

In October, 1879, John Turner was received into membership by experience of grace. It was agreed to pay \$20.00 as the quota of the church on the salary of Dr. Yates. It was agreed to pay \$10.00 for Home Missions. A letter of dismissal was granted L. M. Sorrell. At this meeting J. C. Wilson was unanimously re-elected. His salary was raised from \$100.00 to \$150.00 a year. O. P. Dupree, P. H. Barbee, and A. F. Morris were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. A letter of dismissal was granted Martha Maynard. Sunday morning the church met at the water, and the ordinance of baptism was administered to John Turner.

At December, 1879, conference the committee on selection of a sexton reported that they had secured the services of A. F. Morris, at a salary of \$8.00 a year. Letters of dismissal were granted Eliza Ferrell and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Arnold.

At the conference of January, 1880, the sermon was by J. W. Hilliard. Deacons of the church and W. D. Carlton, G. W. Barbee, W. B. Scott, B. H. Slater, and Thomas Markham were appointed assessors for the year. Charges were preferred against a number of members for absences. A committee of absences was requested to notify them. R. H. Barbee, N. Stone, and W. R. Dupree were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting.

At the February, 1880, meeting a number were excluded for long absences. Some of the cases were continued. One was restored to fellowship. W. H. Edwards, Joseph Marshall, C. Barbee, and Gaston Page were reappointed collectors for the present year, with the instructions to add the amounts of those who had not paid their last year's assessment to the amount that they will be assessed this year. The following resolutions were then introduced and unanimously adopted:

Resolved that we shall expect every female member to contribute to the support of the church, and that every male member will be required to do so unless excused by the church. Resolved that any male member failing to contribute, unless excused, will thereby subject himself to the discipline of the church.

A letter of dismissal was granted Adah George.

In April, 1880, letters of dismission were granted W. A. Holloway and Mahaley Markham. The letter of one member was called in. The assessing committee reported and their report was received. P. H. Barbee, Treasurer, reported for the year 1879:

Dr.	
Amount received from Collectors	\$138.75
Collection	<u>30.95</u>
	169.70

Cr.	
Amount paid for Missions	\$ 30.95
" " pastor	100.00
" " Associational Fund	2.00
" " for well rope	.35
" " Sexton	<u>10.00</u>
	143.30

Amount in hands of treasurer \$26.40

In May, 1880, deacons were appointed a committee on repairs of benches, etc. J. W. Barbee, W. H. Weatherspoon, and R. H. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. Fund sent to the Union was \$3.70.

In June, 1880, the service was by H. Weatherspoon. One former member was restored to fellowship. The committee on repair of benches made their report, and they were paid by the treasurer the .75 which they reported.

A protracted meeting was held in August, 1880. One former member was restored to membership. Cornelius H. Evans, Mattie High, F. A. E. Page, T. E. Slater, Emma Green, Fannie Morris, Mollie Green, and Matthew Roberts were received by experience of grace.

At the conference of September, 1880, H. Weatherspoon, O. P. Dupree were appointed to raise \$30.00 for the Yates Fund. It was agreed to send \$3.00 for the Associational Minute Fund. The treasurer was authorized to pay it. H. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, A. F. Morris, P. H. Barbee, and J. M. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. The amount collected for Home Missions should be paid over



to executive committee of the Southwestern Union Meeting, it was agreed.

Sunday morning, September 15, 1880, the members met at the water, and the pastor administered the ordinance of baptism to Mattie High, T. E. Slater, Emma Green, Fanny Morris, Mollie Green, and Matthew Roberts.

At the conference of October, 1880, the vote to pay over funds collected for Home Missions to the executive committee of Southwestern Association was made null and void. J. C. Wilson was called as pastor for the next year.

At the conference of November, 1880, a deacon offered his resignation as deacon, and on motion was relieved. A letter was read from Swift Creek Church asking aid to finish paying for their church house. Three dollars and sixty-eight cents was raised to forward to them.

At the conference of December, 1880, a committee was appointed to secure a sexton for the next year. A letter was granted Joseph Marshall and wife and Henry Scoggins for dismission. Preaching this time was by J. W. Hilliard. In January, 1881, the report from the sexton committee was received. They reported that W. H. Weatherspoon bid \$4.75 for the year, the church furnishing the coal. The delegates appointed to the last Union Meeting, which did not come off, were appointed for the next Union Meeting to be held with the church of Leesville. The treasurer was authorized to pay J. W. Barbee the amount paid out for coal. In the February, 1881, meeting a committee of five, consisting of N. Stone, O. P. Dupree, A. F. Morris, Asa Green, and M. Smith and H. Weatherspoon was appointed to establish the boundaries of the church lot. A letter of dismission was granted W. R. Dupree. Assessors of the year were appointed: O. P. Dupree, W. H. Edwards, W. B. Scott, W. H. Weatherspoon, G. W. Barbee, and Gaston R. Riggsbee.

Treasurer's Report for 1880

P. H. Barbee

Dr.

Amount in treasury last year	\$ 28.75
Recd. from collectors	135.75
Recd. for Foreign Missions	30.00

Recd. for Associational Missions	\$ 10.70
Recd. for Swift Creek Church	<u>3.65</u>
Total	208.25

Cr.

Amount paid Pastor	\$150.00
" " Foreign Missions	30.00
" " Associational Missions	10.70
" " Swift Creek Church	3.65
Associational Fund	3.00
Sexton	8.00
Amount paid J. H. Barbee for coal	2.55
" " for repairing seats	<u>.75</u>
	208.65
	<u>208.25</u>
Due Treasurer	.40

In the conference of April, 1881, the services were by H. Weatherspoon. Christopher Barbee, W. H. Morris, W. H. Edwards, W. G. Page, and W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed collectors of church funds for the year. The committee on boundaries reported that they had established corners and lines to the satisfaction of all concerned. R. H. Barbee, W. H. Weatherspoon, and W. D. Stone were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting.

The services for May, 1881, were by H. Weatherspoon, also, the pastor being absent on account of illness. A committee was appointed to inquire the reason why one member left her husband. A letter of dismission was granted M. D. Edwards.

At the conference of June, 1881, preaching was by Elder M. S. Ferrell, after which the moderator, J. C. Wilson, called the conference to order. The conference of July, 1881, was also led by W. S. Ferrell. Letters were granted Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Jones. O. P. Dupree, W. O. Stone, and Sidney Scott were appointed delegates to the next Union of the Southwest-Meeting, and this church requested that the next Union Meeting should be held at this church.

In August, 1881 it was decided to protract the meeting. Services were led by Reverend M. S. Ferrell. At the September, 1881, meeting a member was restored to fellowship. Mary

L. Dupree, E. P. High, Lucinda Green, Eva C. Dupree, Etta Stone, H. Ella Barbee, James S. High, John M. Smith. and R. L. Smith were received on experience of grace. W. H. Weatherspoon, W. D. Carlton, C. Barbee, A. F. Morris, and P. H. Barbee were elected delegates to the next Raleigh Association. Two dollars was to be sent as minute fund. The time of meeting was changed to 12:00 on Saturday. Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Barbee, Frances Herndon, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hopson, and two daughters.

Sunday morning, September 11, 1881, those received at the conference meeting and T. A. D. Page were baptized. M. L. Ferrell administered the ordinance of baptism.

Services of October, 1881, were led by the pastor, J. C. Wilson. It was agreed to pay annually \$20.00 to the salary of M. T. Yates, our Missionary to China. In an election at this meeting Reverend M. Ferrell was elected at a salary of \$100.00.

In the conference of November, 1881, M. O. Ferrell's acceptance of the pastorate was read to the church. The treasurer was authorized to have the church repaired and pay for the repairs.

In December, 1881, the service was by A. G. Jones, after which the pastor, J. C. Wilson, called the conference to order. O. P. Dupree, N. Stone, and J. T. Scott were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. In January, 1882, the conference service was by H. Weatherspoon, the pastor being absent. Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Carlton and Rosanna Green. W. H. Weatherspoon was appointed sexton for the present year, to be paid the same as last year. R. H. Slater and W. H. Beasley were appointed a committee on absentees. In February, 1882, services were led by the pastor, M. S. Ferrell. M. S. Ferrell was elected moderator during his pastorate in this church. Mr. and Mrs. Milton L. Sorrell were received by letter from Mt. Herman Church. R. H. Barbee, O. P. Dupree, and Rufus H. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. In April, 1882, services were by H. Weatherspoon. The treasurer was authorized to pay Mr. Wilson, last year's pastor, the amount that was in the treasury and to ask Brother Wilson's indulgence until next fall for the balance the

church owed him. O. P. Dupree's motion of last meeting was taken up, and Brother Dupree offered a substitute, which, after being amended, was adopted, and read as follows:

"That a charge for being absent be preferred against, and fellowship withdrawn from all male members who do not attend conferences between now and September conference, or are present that day, either in person or by proxy, and that the pastor give notice each month till September of the same."

In May, 1882, a letter of dismission was granted Maggie L. Cole. A letter which "gave pleasure to the church" was read from Murray Smith.

Letters of dismission were granted A. F. Morris and family in the June meeting. At this meeting W. O. Stone, W. B. Scott, and R. H. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. The meeting was to be held with the church at Swift Creek. At the July, 1882, meeting the roll was called and all male members present subscribed, and the treasurer, P. H. Barbee, was authorized to take a list of both male and female and get what subscription he could collect and to collect the same, for the support of the church.

At the August, 1882, meeting O. P. Dupree led the services, the pastor being absent. The list of male and female members was called. It was agreed to protract the meeting. After the protracted meeting Susan Moore, E. M. Duke, H. M. Morris, L. M. Morris, Nancy H. Roberts, May L. Morris, Minnie M. Jenkins, Eliza J. Morris, W. P. Womble, and J. A. Colvin were received by experience of grace, and a former member was restored.

The December, 1882, service was led by Brother Carroll. P. H. Barbee, R. H. Slater, N. Stone, R. H. Barbee, and J. R. Page were elected delegates to the Raleigh Association. The treasurer was authorized to pay \$2.00 for the minute fund. A collection was taken for Foreign Missions. The amount collected was \$10.50. A collection for Home Missions was deferred till next conference. Reverend M. S. Ferrell was elected pastor for the next year. The October, 1882, service was led by B. C. Durham. The delegates appointed

last meeting said they could not attend; so Sidney Scott, W. B. Scott, W. C. Mason, W. O. Stone, and W. G. Page were appointed. W. H. Weatherspoon was unanimously requested to resume duties as deacon. The treasurer was authorized to buy coal for the use of the church. The delegates to the Raleigh Association were requested to ask for a letter of dismission, with a view of joining Mt. Zion Association. G. E. Riggsbee, R. H. Barbee, and W. G. Page were appointed delegates to the next Mt. Zion Association, to be held with the church of Robertson's Grove.

In November, 1882, services were led by O. P. Dupree, in the absence of the pastor. R. H. Barbee, Rufus H. Barbee, W. C. Mason, O. P. Dupree, and S. Scott were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting of Mt. Zion Association, to be held with the church at Chapel Hill. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved that every male member who does not answer to his name at least four times in each year shall be dropped from the roll unless excused by the church. The above resolution to take effect from January, 1883.

W. B. Scott, W. G. Page, and I. S. Barbee were elected deacons of this church.

At the meeting of December, 1882, the motion made at the previous meeting by H. Weatherspoon was discussed and adopted; to wit:

Resolved that the deacons and pastor of this church are appointed a committee of consultation whose duty it shall be to meet each Saturday before service and consult on the standing and state of the church.

Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. Murray Smith, John M. Smith, Robert L. Smith, and Mollie Medlin.

At the February, 1883, meeting a letter of dismission was granted Rufus H. Barbee. R. H. Barbee offered his resignation as committee on Home Missions, which was accepted, and I. S. Barbee was appointed in his stead. At the March, 1883, meeting letters of dismission were granted Lucrezia Fletcher and



Martha Yates. The conference of April, 1883, was led by Reverend C. Durham. W. G. Page, W. H. Weatherspoon, J. T. Scott, and W. C. Mason were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting of the Mt. Zion Association to be held with the church at Cane Creek. The delegates were instructed to invite the next Union Meeting to Cedar Fork. At the conference of May, 1883, Auston Colville was received by experience of grace. R. H. Barbee was granted a letter of dismission. H. Weatherspoon offered the following resolution:

Resolved that for the future we meet in conference quarterly instead of monthly, and that after the close of the present year, we dispense with Saturday meetings, except conference days.

The resolution was discussed and further consideration of it was postponed. W. B. Scott, P. H. Barbee, W. H. Edwards, and Christopher Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting of Mt. Zion Association to be held with this church. S. Scott, Gaston Page, W. H. Weatherspoon, W. B. Scott, I. S. Barbee, O. P. Dupree, and G. E. Riggsbee were appointed a committee on hospitality for the next Union Meeting. Sunday morning there was a meeting at the water, and the ordinance of baptism was administered to Susan Moore, Eliza Morris, Mag L. Morris, Emma Morris, and J. A. Colville.

At the July, 1883, meeting W. B. Scott was appointed to paint the stand and repair the table, etc. The treasurer was authorized to have the well put in repair. At the next conference, served by H. Weatherspoon, the treasurer was authorized to pay W. B. Scott \$2.25 for a table for the church. It was agreed to proceed as last year to collect the pastor's salary. The deacons were authorized to call pastors as they formerly did for this church. After a protracted meeting in August, 1883, conference assembled and received on their experience of grace: Bettie E. Weatherspoon, M. A. Womble, Sanders Burgess, C. E. Hurst, D. W. T. Hurst, and restored one member to fellowship.

At the September, 1883, conference this church agreed to hold a conference at Hayes' Schoolhouse for the reception of members tomorrow. C. Barbee, B. H. Marcom, Canady Lowe, and

L. M. Hopson were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting at Mt. Giliad. P. H. Barbee, W. H. Weatherspoon, W. B. Scott, and O. P. Dupree were chosen delegates to the Association at Mt. Pisgah. A letter of dismission was granted Sally Jones. A motion to have semi-monthly meetings was lost. Two dollars was collected at a called conference as minute fund. At the conference assembled at Hayes' Schoolhouse the following were received on their experience: A. F. Evans, Charlie Cooke, James Thames, James Hopson, William Hopson, V. Minnie Morris, Carolina Evans, J. E. Rochelle, Virginia Oakley, Chlotilda Hopson, Ella Cooke, Ida Evans, Rebecca Shamley.

Monday, September 10, 1883, there was a meeting at the water, and Corinna Oakley was received on her experience, and was baptized, with all those listed above. Then on third Sunday in September, 1883, Willie Hurst, Sanders Burgess, W. G. Womble, Bettie E. Weatherspoon, Nancy H. Roberts, Bettie M. Morris, and M. A. Womble were baptized into the fellowship of the church. At the conference of October, 1883, assistant collectors Ella Scott, Helen Stone, Tiny Weatherspoon, and Mollie Barbee were appointed. Letters of dismission were granted W. O. Stone, Sarah Stone, and Nancy Stone. W. H. Edwards was elected assistant clerk. Contribution of \$2.15 was raised for Brother Turner.

At the conference of November, 1883, it was agreed to adopt the Baptist Hymnal for church music. W. B. Scott was appointed to purchase a dozen books at the expense of the church, and that they be the property of the church. It is noted that at this conference of November, 1883, "on motion, the sisters of this church have an opportunity to organize a Missionary Society."

At the conference of December, 1883, Junius Maynard and his wife Elizabeth were received by letter from the Morrisville Church. Richard Edwards was granted a letter of dismission. W. G. Page, P. H. Barbee, Christopher Barbee, and J. T. Scott were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Yates Chapel. W. H. Weatherspoon was appointed indefinitely as sexton at \$8.00 a year if he furnished wood for the stove or \$5.00 if coal is furnished him. The deacons reported that they had selected C. C. Newton as pastor for next year at a salary of \$100.00.

The service at the January, 1884, meeting was led by W. G. Page. At the second January, 1884, meeting the sermon was by the pastor, C. C. Newton. C. F. Upchurch and Burline Upchurch were received by letter from Morrisville Church. At the conference in March, 1884, R. H. Slater, J. F. Scott, W. C. Mason, P. H. Barbee, and Christopher Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting to be held at Olive's Chapel Church. Letters of dismission were granted to W. G. Page, A. F. Evans, Charlie Cooke, C. W. Morris, William Hopson, James Hopson, Margaret Morris, Fannie Hopson, Tillie Hopson, Caroline Page, Susan Thompson, Caroline Evans, Corinna Oakley, Jennie Oakley, Rebecca Shambly, Ida Shambly, Della Cooke, Jennie Rochell, Minnie Morris, Alice Morris, Sarah J. Morgan, Louisa Fletcher, and Lucinda Green.

At the conference of April, 1884, after a lecture by C. Durham on behalf of Brother Turner for pecuniary aid, there was a collection taken amounting to \$3.66. It was agreed to add a committee of five in addition to the deacons, consisting of J. R. Page, J. H. Shipp, M. L. Sorrell, R. H. Slater, and P. H. Barbee, to investigate a rumor in regard to church members being implicated in running illicit distilleries. Eugene Edwards was granted a letter of dismission. Sidney Scott offered his resignation as clerk, which was accepted, and W. H. Edwards appointed in his stead. Sidney Scott was excused from answering to his name owing to the distance he lives from church.

At the conference of May, 1884, letters of dismission were granted James Thames, and Mary Renn. At the conference of June, 1884, Fallie Page was received by letter from Olive's Chapel. P. H. Barbee, W. C. Mason, J. T. Scott, and H. S. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting to be held with the church at Mt. Moriah.

At the conference of July, 1884, letters of dismission were granted James Maynard and wife. P. H. Barbee offered his resignation as treasurer, which was accepted, and J. R. Page was appointed in his stead. Instead of having a report of the committee investigating dealing in distilleries, a committee of one, the pastor, was made to hear confessions of guilty parties, if any; if the confessions are satisfactory to the pastor, then they are satisfactory to the church,

but if there be any member or members who seem to be impenitent and fail to satisfy the pastor, he is to report to the church, where they will be dealt with as the church may think proper.

At the conference of August, 1884, the pastor reported that he had thoroughly investigated the rumor, and that he was fully satisfied that the accusation was altogether unfounded and false. Accordingly, the church, by a vote, exonerated the accused brethren from all censure and blame. H. Weatherspoon, P. H. Barbee, Christopher Barbee, and C. F. Upchurch were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting to be held at Berea. Letters of dismissal were granted John Turner, Demaris Moring, and Ida R. Ferrell. At the conference of September, 1884, the sermon was by Elder J. P. Mason. W. B. Scott, J. T. Scott, W. H. Weatherspoon, and W. H. Edwards were elected delegates to the Association to be held with the church at Chapel Hill, the church sending \$2.00 as a minute fund. It was agreed to have the list of male members called and for each one to say how much he was willing to pay in helping to defray the expenses of the church. The deacons were appointed a finance committee to raise money to pay off all church expenses. Reverend C. C. Newton was re-elected pastor. In October, 1884, the church made the call to the pastor indefinite instead of for next year. As the delegates to the Association had pledged the church \$5.00 to assist in liquidating the deficit of the salary of our colporteur, R. A. Morris, the church took up a collection and raised the amount promised. On Sunday there was a called meeting and the pastor and W. B. Scott and P. H. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention to be held in Raleigh, and the church raised \$5.00 to defray the expenses of the pastor to the Convention.

At the November, 1884, conference letters were granted Burline Upchurch, C. F. Upchurch, and Dora Page. J. E. Page, Sidney Scott, H. S. Barbee, and W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting to be held with the church at Mt. Herman. W. H. Weatherspoon offered his resignation as sexton. It was accepted. There was a motion to increase the salary of the pastor to

\$200.00 a year, but the motion was postponed until next meeting. Owing to inclemency of the weather, there was no conference held in December, 1884 and January. In the conference of March, 1885, the sermon was by R. A. Moore. The committee on selection of a sexton reported that they had secured the services of S. Barbee for a year for the church and Sunday School at a salary of \$10.00 for the year. The report was accepted. The motion to increase the pastor's salary was dropped. Canady Lowe, J. T. Scott, L. A. Page, and P. H. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting to be held with the church at Antioch. H. S. Barbee and S. Scott were appointed to have the windows and doors of the church repaired and the treasurer authorized to pay for it. In April, 1885, letters of dismission were granted Joseph G. Marshall, Gaston E. Riggsbee, Cynthia Marshall, and Nancy Riggsbee. The deacons were added to the committee to have the church repaired. On Sunday, J. H. Mills was with the church and delivered a forcible lecture on behalf of the Baptist Orphanage, took up a collection, and realized about \$16.00 for that object. At the conference of May, 1885, I. S. Barbee conducted the services. The treasurer was authorized to buy a small bucket. P. H. Barbee, A. J. Weatherspoon, W. H. Weatherspoon, and W. C. Mason were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Lystra. Hawkins Fletcher was granted a letter of dismission. At the June, 1885, meeting a committee consisting of Sidney Scott, H. Weatherspoon, W. B. Scott, J. H. Shipp, and W. H. Edwards was appointed to make out a plan for the erection of a church building and ascertain as near as possible the cost of it and report next conference. At the conference of July, 1885, the sermon was by Reverend J. J. Leansdell, of Durham. By letter John M. Luther was received from Apex; and Callie V. Luther, from Olive's Chapel. Letters of dismission were granted Caroline House and Eliza Green. The committee on the plan and cost of a church building reported. The plan was not objected to. Cost of it was estimated at about \$1000.00. Immediately there was raised by subscription \$348.00 for that object. J. H. Shipp, W. H. Edwards, Helen Bates, Helen Stone, and Lizzie Shipp were appointed to solicit aid in construction of the new church building.



There was a called meeting Saturday evening before the first Sunday in August 1885 for the purpose of giving members an opportunity to enlarge their subscriptions toward erecting the new church building, and realized \$320.00. A building committee was appointed consisting of W. B. Scott, W. H. Edwards, J. H. Shipp, W. H. Morris, H. Weatherspoon, W. H. Weatherspoon, J. R. Page, George Barbee, Christopher Barbee, and Sidney Scott.

As there had been a protracted meeting, doors of the church were opened and the following were received by experience of grace: Elton Dampier, Walter Jenkins, Joseph Shipp, Dallas Beasley, Addie Green, Maggie Barbee, Florence Weatherspoon, Mittie Dupree, Ann Marcom, Estelle Slater, and Geneva Barbee. Reverend C. C. Newton administered the ordinance of baptism to all but Dallas Beasley.

At the conference of August, 1885, a letter of dismissal was granted Mollie T. Jones. Christopher Barbee, P. H. Barbee, W. B. Scott, and A. J. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. The sermon was by C. Thompson, H. Weatherspoon, moderator pro tem. In September, 1885, S. Scott, W. B. Scott, P. H. Barbee, W. H. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the Association, alternates, J. H. Shipp and C. Barbee. The pastor, C. C. Newton, was re-elected. The church took up a collection for Associational Missions and realized \$12.65; also raised \$7.25 for the chapel to be built in Ching Kiang, China.

At the conference of October, 1885, W. H. Edwards was appointed to collect funds for the church building. At the conference of November, 1885, a committee consisting of Sidney Scott, R. H. Slater, P. H. Barbee, Columbus Page, and W. H. Edwards was appointed to examine some applications that had been sent to the Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage for admission, to determine if they are fit subjects to be received. The committee decided that "they are not." J. T. Scott, P. H. Barbee, Hugh Green, and Christopher Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. At the meeting of December, 1885, a second letter of dismissal was granted Mollie T. Jones on account of the limited time of the first having expired before her joining some other church. The deacons were appointed to secure the services

of a sexton for the coming year.

At the conference of January, 1886, the deacons reported that they had stipulated with S. Scott to attend to the sexton's business the present year, for \$6.00, the church to furnish the coal. P. H. Barbee, Christopher Barbee, I. S. Barbee, and H. S. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. A letter of dismission was granted Fannie Hurst. At the February, 1886, meeting the pastor took up a collection for Foreign Missions. The amount realized was \$6.09. In April a collection was taken to defray the pastor's expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention; the amount realized was \$6.00. In June a letter of dismission was granted E. V. Weatherspoon. The church agreed to donate a Colored church our old pulpit and \$6.00. The church decided to dedicate our new church building on the fourth Sunday in July.

At the July, 1885, conference the dedication of the new church building was postponed until the fourth Sunday in September. Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Luther. At the conference of August, 1885, services were led by H. Weatherspoon. Sidney Scott, P. H. Barbee, W. H. Weatherspoon, alternates, W. C. Mason and Canady Lowe were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. There was a committee appointed to apportion each member's part in defraying the expenses of the church of the present year, taking the tax list as a basis to work by; namely, S. Scott, J. H. Shipp, J. R. Page, I. S. Barbee, and W. H. Edwards. J. H. Shipp, W. H. Weatherspoon, and W. H. Edwards were appointed to try to devise some plan to raise the deficit on last year's account.

In the September, 1886, conference a sermon on tithing was given by Dr. Hume. Reverend C. C. Newton was re-elected pastor. H. Weatherspoon, J. H. Shipp, B. A. Marcom, and P. H. Barbee were elected delegates to the next Association to be held at Cedar Fork. H. Weatherspoon, S. Scott, W. H. Morris, J. H. Shipp, and W. H. Edwards were appointed a hospitality committee for the Association. The deacons were appointed to collect the funds that were apportioned by the committee of assessment. W. H. Morris was appointed to have the well cleaned out, repair the curb, and report at the next meeting.

At the October, 1886, conference W. H. Morris reported that he had had the well cleaned and repaired at a cost of \$2.00, and the treasurer was ordered to pay it to him. W. D. Stone, H. L. Barbee, and Christopher Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Roberson's Grove. A letter was granted a member, provided that she paid off her church dues. After a protracted meeting there was reception of the following by experience as fit candidates for church membership:

James Barbee	Della Page
George Barbee	Fanny Jones
Willie Hopson	Myrtie Page
Henry Womble	Myrtle Shipp
J. Lucius Green	Louisa Lawrence
Carol Marcom	Ella Dupree

At the conference of December, 1886, Sidney Scott was reappointed sexton for the ensuing year. It was expected that the ordinance of baptism would be performed, but it was deferred to some future time because of the inclemency of the weather.

At the conference of January, 1887, the pastor was absent, and Reverend J. D. Newton filled his place. W. H. Merritt was received by letter from Mt. Pisgah, and Nannie Hopson was received by letter from Durham Church. P. H. Barbee, H. S. Barbee, Christopher Barbee, and J. T. Scott were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. Letters of dismissal were granted Willie Hurst and Sarah Marshall. It was voted to pay the sexton \$10.00 for last year's services. At the March meeting Della Weatherspoon and Mattie A. Edwards were appointed a committee to solicit aid in behalf of the Baptist Orphanage; Foreign Missions, Ella Scott and W. B. Scott, to assist; State Missions, P. H. Barbee and wife; Associational Missions, J. H. Shipp and wife; Education, Christopher Barbee.

At the conference of April, 1887, the auditing committee appointed to audit the work of the collector and treasurer of the church building reported that they found he had collected \$923.46 and had receipts to show for that amount, as

of April 2, 1887. The building committee was continued to settle the remainder of the church building indebtedness. It was decided to meet "tomorrow morning" for the purpose of reorganizing the Sabbath School.

At the conference of May, 1887, H. D. Carr was received by experience as a subject for baptism. The Superintendent of the Sunday School, the Assistant Superintendent, the Teachers, the Secretary, and the Librarian were appointed to represent the church in the next Union Meeting.

On first Sunday in May the members met at the fishpond of S. Scott and the ordinance of baptism was administered to: H. D. Carr, George Barbee, James Barbee, Willie Hopson, J. Lucius Green, Louisa Lawrence, Ella Dupree, and Myrtle Shipp.

In June, 1887, S. Scott, J. H. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, W. B. Scott, and W. H. Edwards were appointed to make an apportionment for the purpose of defraying church expenses the present year. In July, 1887, the treasurer gave his report of the year 1885 and for 1886.

1885	
Received from the church	\$188.25
Paid to the pastor	186.25
" for minutes	<u>2.00</u>
Total amount paid	188.25
Balance due on pastor's salary	13.75
Due sexton	<u>10.00</u>
Amount of indebtedness	23.75

1886	
Received from the church	\$192.15
Paid to pastor	178.65
Paid to sexton	9.00
" for minutes	2.50
" " well fixtures	<u>2.00</u>
	192.15
Balance due on pastor's salary	21.55
Money on hand	.20

J. R. Page, Treasurer

The collector was ordered to report the names of those who had failed to pay the amounts apportioned them to the deacons, and the deacons were to take such action in regard to their cases as they thought proper. J. R. Page and S. Scott were appointed a committee to have a new curb put around the well at Cedar Fork. Christopher Barbee, I. S. Barbee, M. L. Sorrell, and W. H. Edwards were appointed to represent the church at the next Union Meeting.

In August a letter of dismissal was granted a member on condition that she paid her church dues. It was then decided no more letters would be granted members of this church till their church dues are paid. At the conference of September, 1887, C. C. Newton was re-elected pastor. In October H. Weatherspoon offered his resignation as Superintendent of the Sunday School. It was accepted, and I. S. Barbee was elected in his stead. Clara A. Herndon was granted a letter of dismissal. I. S. Barbee, Christopher Barbee, M. L. Sorrell, L. A. Page, and A. J. Weatherspoon were appointed delegates to the Association. The letter to the Association was read and adopted. It was agreed to send \$2.50 to the Association for a minute fund. The sexton was ordered to purchase half a ton of coal, and the treasurer ordered to pay for it. Collectors were instructed to notify church members who are in arrears in the church building subscription or pastor's salary to settle up or attend next conference and show cause why charges are not to be preferred against them.

Reverend J. D. Newton held a meeting at High Point commencing the first Sunday in October and continuing eight days. The doors of the church were opened for Cedar Fork to receive members. Sally Carr and Sarah H. Beasley were received as candidates for baptism. The congregation then repaired to Brother Barbee's fishpond, where the ordinance of baptism was administered to Sally Carr, Sarah H. Beasley, and Cora Marcom, who had given in her experience at Cedar Fork several months back, but had not been baptized on account of illness.

At the conference of November, 1887, the sermon was by Reverend J. M. White. J. H. Shipp and P. H. Barbee were appointed to the committee on delinquents, as the former

committee had asked to be excused. A collection was taken up for a brother who had asked to be excused from paying his dues because of need. It resulted in \$5.06 and was forwarded to him.

At the conference of December, 1887, W. H. Edwards made the church a present of a Church Record Book, for which the church gave him a vote of thanks. S. Scott was reappointed sexton for the ensuing year. The pastor and the deacons were selected a committee to revise the Rules of Decorum before transferring them from the old book to the new. The church protracted the December meeting 12 days. The following were added to the church:

Jesse Beasley	Joseph Green	Robert Weatherspoon
Sidney Page	Edward Morris	Martha Hopson
W. H. O'Briant	William Green	Sarah C. Jones

All of these were baptized except one who was restored. Della and Myrtie Page were also baptized. They had been received by experience as fit subjects to be baptized a year ago.

At the conference of January, 1888, I. S. Barbee, Christopher Barbee, R. T. Shipp, and Hugh Green were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. Letters of dismission were granted M. C. Sorrell, Elizabeth Sorrell, and Rebecca Sorrell. The pastor was absent at the March meeting. H. Weatherspoon was moderator pro tem. Eugene B. Edwards was received from the Morrisville Church and Nettie Green from the Raleigh Tabernacle. S. Scott and Christopher Barbee, who had been inactive deacons for a number of years, were re-instated and invited to assist in all business pertaining to the deaconship. The treasurer gave his report.

#### Report of the Treasurer for the year 1887

Amount received from the church	\$167.20
Paid for cleaning out well	2.00
" " wine	1.20
" " coal	2.23
" " minutes	2.50
" to sexton	4.00



Paid to pastor	<u>\$155.02</u>
Total paid out	166.95
Balance on hand	<u>.25</u>
J. B. Page, Treasurer	167.20

Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Barbee. On Sunday after the conference there was a called conference (Deacon I. S. Barbee in the chair) for the purpose of appointing a committee to have the straw and litter burnt off around the church in order to guard against fire from the passing trains. Hugh Green, S. Scott, P. H. Barbee, W. H. Morris, and B. H. Green constituted the committee.

At conference of April, 1888, the pastor still being sick, Brother Crabtree, a student of Wake Forest College and on hand, preached to us. I. S. Barbee was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School of this place. R. T. Shipp, C. Barbee, I. S. Barbee, Joseph Green, and J. H. Shipp were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. At the July, 1888, conference these delegates were appointed to the next Union Meeting: I. S. Barbee, Kit Barbee, A. J. Weatherspoon, M. L. Sorrell, P. H. Barbee, and H. D. Carr. At the August conference W. D. Carlton, and Jane, Sallie, and Kate Carlton were received by letter from the Morrisville Church. At the September conference the deacons, treasurer, and clerk were appointed to apportion the members for the purpose of defraying the pastor's salary and other church expenses for the year.

At the conference of October, 1888, H. Weatherspoon conducted the services and acted as moderator pro tem. The present pastor was elected indefinitely, with a request that he be respectfully asked to take a reduction in salary. J. T. Scott and wife, Florence Scott, were granted letters of dismission. I. S. Barbee, W. B. Scott, R. T. Shipp, and Christopher Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association, with P. H. Barbee and L. A. Page, alternates. It was agreed to pay \$2.00 for minute fund. It was decided that the \$15.00 that Brother W. H. Morris owed on the pastor's salary be applied to the liquidation of the \$17.12 he advanced on the church building. There is also an entry signed by W. H. Morris: Recd. of W. H. Edwards \$11.00 on

painting church and building seats. March 3, 1888. I. S. Barbee, M. L. Sorrell, Christopher Barbee, P. H. Barbee, A. J. Weatherspoon, and H. D. Carr were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Pleasant Grove Church. The conference of December, 1888, elected Sidney Scott sexton again. J. H. Shipp, W. D. Carr, C. Barbee, R. T. Shipp, and W. H. Page were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. The December meeting was protracted for a number of days. The following candidates were received by experience of grace for baptism:

Adolphus Lawrence	Corinna A. Herndon
J. W. Hailey	R. F. Jones
Mary M. Womble	On Saturday they were baptized.

W. H. Hopson was received by letter from Cane Creek Church, and Helen Morris was received by letter from Salem Church. At the conference of March, 1889, W. H. Hopson, Christopher Barbee, and W. H. Edwards were appointed a committee to suggest some plan for consideration of the church as to how to collect money for missionary purposes for the current year. W. B. Scott and M. L. Sorrell and P. H. Barbee were appointed delegates to the next Union Meeting. At the conference of April, 1889, a letter of dismissal was granted Elizabeth High. C. C. Newton offered his resignation as pastor of our church, to take effect at the June meeting, which was accepted. At the conference of May, 1889, a letter of dismissal was granted Emma Wilson to join Swannanoa Church, in Buncombe County, provided she clears her name on the church books. A letter was granted P. H. Barbee, after his clearing his name on the books.

In the June, 1889, conference W. B. Scott conducted the services and acted as moderator pro tem. Delegates to represent the church at the next Union Meeting were M. L. Sorrell, J. H. Shipp, H. D. Carr, and George Barbee, Jr. At the conference of July, 1889, J. M. White, of Apex, led the services and acted as moderator pro tem. The church extended a call to C. A. Woodson as pastor of the church for the remaining part of the year at the rate of \$125.00 a year.

Recd. for the years 1888 and 1889	\$301.41
Paid C. C. Newton for 1888	200.00
" " " " " 1889	83.16
Paid church expenses	16.25
Money on hand	<u>2.00</u>
	201.41

J. R. Page, Treasurer

At the August, 1889, conference the pastor, C. A. Woodson, gave the sermon. W. B. Scott, I. S. Barbee, Ella Scott, and Lenna Dupree were appointed to wait on each member and solicit a voluntary contribution, for the purpose of defraying the current expenses of the church for the year. J. R. Page, treasurer, made his report and offered his resignation, but it was not accepted.

For the conference of September, 1889, the sermon was by J. J. Lansdell, of Durha, who also acted as moderator pro tem., as the pastor was absent on account of being engaged in a protracted meeting at Berea Church. W. B. Scott, I. S. Barbee, and C. Barbee were chosen delegates to the Association, with alternates G. M. Green and L. A. Page; also R. T. Shipp, W. H. Page, and Willie Hopson were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting, should there be any. A letter of dismissal was granted Sarah E. Jones, to join some other church more convenient. It was decided to protract the meeting, also to elect a pastor for the ensuing year. At the October meeting, 1889, C. A. Woodson was elected pastor for the ensuing year at a salary of \$150.00. The October meeting was protracted. Connie Shipp, Frank Edwards, Frank Burgess, Luther Barbee, Mary Coble, Nettie Slater, Nannie Barbee, Minnie I. Barbee, Mattie M. Beasley, and Bettie L. Lewter were received as candidates for baptism. On the following Sabbath they all received the ordinance of baptism.

At the November, 1889, conference letters of dismissal were granted W. J. Williams and Helen Tudor. It was agreed to take up a collection monthly the ensuing year for the purpose of defraying the pastor's salary. I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, Ella Scott, and Mattie A. Edwards were appointed

to wait on the members to get them to put down on subscription how much they would pay on the pastor's salary for the next year.

At the December, 1889, meeting W. H. Page was elected sexton for the year 1890 at a salary of \$10.00. The sexton was instructed to have the clock repaired, and the treasurer ordered to pay for it. J. R. Page, J. H. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, Canada Lowe, and W. H. Edwards were selected as delegates to the next Union Meeting. A committee was appointed to collect money for the ensuing year for mission purposes and other objects; namely, for Foreign Missions, Lenna Dupree and Estelle Slater; for State Missions, A. J. Weatherspoon; for Associational Missions, Helen Stone; for Home Missions, Geneva Barbee; for Education, L. A. Page; for Baptist Orphanage, Frank Edwards. At conference in April, 1890, a letter of dismissal was granted Etta Wilson. The church passed a resolution submitted by I. S. Barbee:

Resolved that each male member of our church should be and is hereby required to be present at each conference; otherwise he will be required to give an excuse at the next conference unless it is a case where leave of general absence is granted on account of extreme old age or infirmity.

In the May meeting Mollie Barbee was granted a letter of dismissal. In June R. T. Shipp, L. A. Page, I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, and Joseph Shipp were selected as delegates to the next Union Meeting. In July meeting it was decided to hold an annual protracted meeting in November. The pastor was absent from the August meeting because of being engaged in a protracted meeting at Berea. W. B. Scott read a chapter and I. S. Barbee led in prayer. There was no conference held. In the meeting in September W. B. Scott, I. S. Barbee, Lenna Dupree, and Tillie Slater were appointed to collect funds to redeem the church's pledges made at last Association. I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, L. A. Page, W. H. Edwards, and J. H. Shipp were appointed delegates to the Association to be held at Red Mountain. Alternates were

W. D. Carlton, W. H. Page, A. J. Weatherspoon, C. Barbee, and H. D. Carr.

At conference of October, 1890, the pastor, C. A. Woodson, was re-elected for the coming year. Hugh Green was appointed to have the church window blinds and stove door repaired and to present his account at the next conference. At the November conference the sexton was appointed to have the window blinds put up again. A committee of I. S. Barbee, J. R. Page, and A. J. Weatherspoon was appointed to apportion the members to raise a certain amount of money to pay off a debt in favor of W. H. Morris. The committees have already made their effort. Hugh Green, A. J. Weatherspoon, C. Barbee, R. T. Shipp, and G. M. Green were selected to represent the church at the next Union Meeting. Letters of dismission were granted Thomas Bowen, Frances Bowen, and Mayr J. King. The clerk of the church was added to the committee on discipline. The sexton, W. H. Page, was reappointed for the ensuing year. The December, 1890, meeting was protracted. Doors of the church were opened to receive members. W. D. Beasley, W. M. Barbee, M. T. Riggin, and Cora Burgess were received by experience of grace. Then the members repaired to the water, and the ordinance of baptism was administered to them all; also to Fanny Burgess, who had made a profession of religion some two or three years ago. R. T. Shipp and Hugh Green were elected and ordained to the office of deaconship.

In January, 1891, a committee of four was appointed to wait on each member and ascertain the amount they were willing to pay toward defraying the church expenses the present year; namely, I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, Etta Stone, and Estelle Slater; collectors of the same: I. S. Barbee and Mattie A. Edwards. It was agreed hereafter to apply our Sunday mornings collection for mission purposes. The collectors were instructed to see delinquent members, who had not paid off their subscriptions for the past year, and collect it. Should any fail to pay, they are to be reported at our next conference. At the February conference Hattie Harrieton was granted a letter of dismission. A. J. Weatherspoon was elected to be sexton for the church for the year at a salary of \$10.00. At the March meeting a letter of dismission was

granted Sallie Pickard. W. B. Scott was appointed to attend the State Sunday School Convention which was to be held at Raleigh. J. H. Shipp, L. A. Page, C. Barbee, G. M. Green, and W. H. Edwards were appointed delegates to attend the Sunday School Convention at Durham. In April, 1891, Cora Barbee was granted a letter of dismission. W. M. Barbee was elected church clerk.

At conference May, 1891, letters of dismission were granted Elizabeth and Cora Page, Mattie, Eugene, and Frank Edwards, Sarah A. Hopson, Rivanna Sorrell, Martha and Ella Dupree, Jinnie and Mattie Beasley, W. B. Scott and wife, Haskey, Martha, and Millie Womble, Frances, Emily, and Sissie Lowe, when dues are paid. Hugh Green was continued committee to see the delinquents on the Morris debt. W. H. Hopson, I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, Joe Shipp, and W. M. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Cane Creek. A sufficient amount of money was raised to adjust the Morris debt, and the treasurer authorized to settle it.

At the conference of July, 1891, a letter of dismission was granted W. H. Merritt.

At the end of the protracted meeting in August, 1891, the following were received into membership:

Eugene Barbee	Jno. Dupree	Bertha Barbee
W. R. Roberts	Jodie Shipp	Ida Barbee
Wm. Haley	Mamie Jones	Mollie Haley
Wm. Morris	Fannie Coble	One member was also restored.

At a called conference Wm. Carlton, W. F. Womble, Joe Shipp, Geo. Barbee, and W. M. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Olive Chapel. At the conference of September, 1891, Bethany, Frances, and Florence Roberts were received as candidates for baptism, by relating their experience. Then the present pastor was re-elected. After service on Sunday the following candidates were baptized: A. R. Roberts, Wm. Haley, Wm. Morris, Jno. Dupree, Jodie Shipp, Mamie Jones, Fannie Coble, Bertha Barbee, Ida Barbee, Mollie Haley, Bethany, Frances, and Florence Roberts. At the conference of October, 1891,



letters were granted Mittie Dupree and Jno. Dupree. W. H. Hopson, C. Barbee, Joe Shipp, Hugh Green, and W. M. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association to be held at Cane Creek Church. Hugh Green and Mrs. I. S. Barbee were appointed to collect Missions funds to be sent to the Association.

A called conference appointed delegates to the Union Meeting held at Rose of Sharon Church. These delegates were A. J. Weatherspoon, L. A. Page, Joseph Shipp, G. W. Barbee, and I. S. Barbee. At the December meeting a letter was granted M. F. Riggins. I. S. Barbee and Jno. Shipp were appointed to ascertain how much the members were willing to pay on the pastor's salary for the ensuing year. C. Barbee and Mrs. I. S. Barbee were appointed to see the delinquent members on the pastor's salary for 1891.

At the January, 1892, meeting the treasurer gave the following report:

Receipts for pastor's salary	\$135.21
" " Other Benevolent Objects	<u>46.27</u>
Total	<u>181.48</u>
Balance due on Pastor's Salary	14.79

#### Disbursements

Paid to Pastor, C. A. Woodson	\$135.21
" for minutes	2.00
" " State Missions	4.49
" " Associational Missions	7.82
" " Foreign Missions	13.05
" " Education	2.79
" " Home Missions	6.00
" " Baptist Orphanage	3.67
" " Baptist Church in Cuba	<u>6.43</u>
Total	<u>181.48</u>

In January, 1892, A. J. Weatherspoon was elected sexton. J. H. Shipp, C. Barbee, Henry Page, Hugh Green, and W. M. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. At

this conference the rule requiring attendance each month or excuse for absence was rescinded, and another requiring attendance once a quarter or excuse for absence was passed.

At the meeting of March, 1892, the sermon was by Jesse Howell. At the conference of April, 1892, Hugh Green was chosen as sexton at a salary of \$7.50 for nine months. At the May conference I. S. Barbee, R. T. Shipp, Geo. Barbee, Roy Page, and C. Barbee were chosen delegates to the Sunday School Association to be held with Mt. Herman Church. Alternates were Hugh Green, A. J. Weatherspoon, and W. M. Barbee.

In July, 1892, the Reverend Mr. Taylor gave the sermon and acted as moderator, pro tem. Olivia Burroughs was received by letter from Chapel Hill Church.

August meeting was protracted. The following were received as candidates for baptism: J. C. Carpenter, S. F. Marcom, Leo Burroughs, Della Morris, Nettie Hurst, Anna Morris, and Carrie Burroughs. On Monday they received the ordinance baptism. Others were restored to membership. At the conference of September, 1892, it was decided to call the roll Sunday to ascertain the amount that each member would contribute to Missions. J. R. Page, C. Barbee, and Hugh Green were appointed a committee to appropriate the collection for Missions to the different objects. The roll was called on Sunday for the purpose mentioned the day before. The deacons were appointed to see whose services they could secure for pastor. At the conference of October, 1892, a letter was granted Lenna Walton. G. W. Blanchard was called as pastor of the church at a salary of \$150.00 for the ensuing year. I. S. Barbee and W. D. Carlton were appointed to inform him of the call. I. S. Barbee, R. T. Shipp, Hugh Green, M. L. Sorrell, and C. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association to be held with Olive Chapel Church. Alternates were Joe Shipp, W. M. Barbee, Geo. Barbee, and A. J. Weatherspoon. At a called conference October 7, 1892, W. S. Olive was called for the ensuing year with a salary of \$150.00. W. H. O'Briant was appointed to inform him of the call.

At the conference of November, 1892, Bettie L. Perry was granted a letter of dismission. W. H. Burroughs and Cornelia Burroughs were received by letter from Cary Baptist

Church. B. H. Marcom, Hugh Green, R. T. Shipp, R. C. Lowe, and L. A. Page were appointed a committee to apportion each member to raise the pastor's and sexton's salaries, apportionment to be read in January's conference. At conference of December, 1892, the resignation of W. M. Barbee as clerk was accepted. M. L. Sorrell was elected church clerk. W. M. Barbee and Etta Stone were appointed a committee to raise all they could on the pastor's salary. At the conference of February, 1893, Wm. M. Coble was received by letter from Silver Springs Baptist Church. The sexton was paid for his services for 1892. Treasurer's report was as follows:

Received from collectors and other sources	\$169.86
Disbursements	
Paid to the pastor, C. A. Woodson	\$119.75
State Missions	7.24
Home Missions	1.00
Foreign Missions	8.28
Education	4.00
Orphanage	8.43
Associational Missions	9.00
Mt. Ada Church	5.00
Brother Howell	3.24
Brother Green	3.45
Brother Leary	6.65
Ministers' Relief Fund	1.92
Paid for wine	1.50
Paid minute fund	2.00
Cash on hand	<u>.40</u>
Total	169.86

The treasurer tendered his resignation, which was received. C. Barbee was elected treasurer. Hugh Green was appointed to help the present collector raise the balance due on the pastor's salary for 1892. At a called conference on first Sunday in March, 1893, W. M. Barbee was elected church collector. A letter of dismission was granted Nannie Lloyd. There was a committee of 14 appointed to ascertain the amount each member would give to Missions. The 14 were distributed as follows:

Ministers Relief Board	-	J. H. Page and Helen Stone
Associational Missions	-	Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shipp
State Missions	-	Joseph Shipp and Sarah Beasley
Foreign Missions	-	Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Page
Home Missions	-	G. W. Barbee and Etta Stone
Education	-	M. L. Sorrell and Genevieve Barbee
Orphanage	-	Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burroughs

At the conference of April, 1893, Joseph Shipp was appointed assistant clerk. Brother Beasley agreed to serve the remainder of the year for \$7.50. I. S. Barbee and C. Barbee, William Carlton, and B. H. Marcom were selected to attend the Union Meeting, also R. T. Shipp. Mary Lynn's letter was received. The church requested Brother Newton to come to see us and preach for us. At the conference of July, 1893, A. R. Roberts, Geo. Barbee, R. T. Shipp, W. D. Carlton, and L. A. Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Graham Church. It was agreed to protract the next meeting. After protracted meeting in August the following members were received for baptism:

James Hopson	Preston Bass	Ross Barbee
Samuel Green	Harmon Hurst	Mary Addison
William B. Hopson	J. L. Hopson	Bettie Johnson
J. W. Lawrence	Blanch L. Burroughs	Fannie Haley
Mattie Lowe		

All but James Hopson were baptized. W. H. Weatherspoon, Cynthia Weatherspoon, A. L. Weatherspoon, Sidney Weatherspoon were received by letter, W. H. Weatherspoon received as a deacon.

At the conference of September, 1893, the sermon was by Dr. Yates. A letter of dismission was granted Frank Burgess. W. S. Olive was called indefinitely to serve as pastor at a salary of \$150.00 for the year. At the October meeting Brother Carlton was announced to wait on Brother Olive to notify him of his election as pastor. Brother Carlton notified Brother Olive of his call, and Brother Olive accepted it. Florence Faucette was received by letter. A letter was granted Alice Ferrell. R. T. Shipp and G. W.

Barbee and L. A. Page were appointed delegates to attend the Association. A letter was granted Brother Bass.

At the called meeting third Sunday a committee was named to purchase piping for the stove; namely, M. L. Sorrell and John Shipp. The meeting was called to attend to the preparation of the letter to send the Association.

The services of November, 1893, were led by Jesse Howell. Money was raised for the stove piping. At the conference of January, 1894, the clerk sent in his resignation, which was received. Joseph Shipp was elected clerk. The same assessing committee that served the year before was reappointed: Hugh Green, R. T. Shipp, R. C. Lowe, B. H. Marcom, and L. A. Page. At the conference of February, 1894, E. Walton conducted the service. At the conference of March, 1894, what money was in the treasury was taken to help pay for the song books.

At the conference of April, 1894, T. B. Whitley was received by letter from Robeson Grove. R. T. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, B. H. Marcom, C. Barbee, W. M. Barbee were elected delegates to the Union Meeting. Mr. Olive was excused from preaching the first Sunday in May. At the conference in May, 1894, services were by C. W. Blanchard. Services for the conference in August, 1894, were by J. E. Yates. Carolina Hopson, Ann E. Barbee, and Rosa Green were received by letters. At the September conference A. L. Barbee was received into the church by experience and baptized the next day.

At October conference Rivanna Sorrell was received by letter from the Morrisville Church. Olivia Burroughs was granted a letter of dismissal. C. Barbee, R. T. Shipp, Hugh Green, Joe Shipp, and L. A. Page were elected delegates to the Association. They were instructed to pledge \$10.00 to State Missions and \$15.00, to Associational Missions. The treasurer was instructed to pay \$2.00 for minute fund.

At the November, 1894, meeting a committee of seven was appointed to ascertain how much each member would give for Missions. The committee was as follows:

Foreign Missions - L. A. Page  
Home Missions - Etta Stone

State Missions	Luther Barbee
Education	Mrs. W. H. Burroughs
Associational Missions	J. H. Shipp
Orphanage	Myrtle Page
Ministers' Relief	Geneva Barbee

At the conference of December, 1894, letters of dismission were granted A. J. Weatherspoon, T. B. Whitley, Della Weatherspoon, and Myrtle Ellis.

At the conference of March, 1895, Q. L. Sorrell and wife were received by letter from Mr. Herman Church. The church collector made report for the year 1894.

Amount apportioned	\$177.05	
Amount collected	153.35	
Paid Treasurer	162.25	Hugh Green, Church Collector

For the year 1894 the treasurer made the following report:

Received from Collector	\$162.25
Received for Missions	<u>70.83</u>
	233.08

#### Paid Out

Paid to Pastor	\$150.00
" " Sexton	10.00
" for minutes	2.00
" " well bucket	.35
" to Orphanage	7.73
" " Outside Poor	21.00
" " Ministerial Relief	5.00
" " Home Missions	6.40
" " State Missions	5.80
" " Associational Missions	10.65
" " Foreign Missions	3.10
" " Education	1.35
" for Baptist Hymnals	<u>14.40</u>
Total Paid Out	237.78

W. D. Stone was selected as sexton for the ensuing year. The church assumed the expense of Sunday School amounting to



\$10.00 this year. Rufus Lawrence was appointed to have the roof of the church and the windows repaired. A group of seven was appointed as a finance committee, they to make assessment and make a full report the first meeting Saturday in December, 1895. The committee consisted of J. H. Shipp, W. H. Page, W. H. Burroughs, Jesse Beasley, Jr. R. High, J. R. Page, and M. L. Sorrell. Brothers R. T. Shipp, James Barbee, W. S. Page, and J. L. Green were appointed delegates to the Association.

At the conference of April, 1895, a letter of dismission was granted Katie Proctor. C. Barbee offered his resignation as treasurer of the church. It was received, and Luther Barbee was elected treasurer.

The May, 1895, conference services were by J. M. Hilliard. E. Walton and wife were received by letter from Swift Creek Baptist Church. Hugh Green, W. H. Burroughs, and W. H. Page were appointed to repair the well.

At the conference of June, 1895, Viola Lawrence was received by letter from Mt. Herman Baptist Church. The committee on fixing the well reported the lumber and work done had cost \$3.75. Hugh Green was allowed discount on his church dues for that amount. R. T. Shipp, Hugh Green, M. L. Sorrell, and I. S. Barbee were selected as delegates to attend the Union Meeting at Haw River. At the conference of July, 1895, a letter of dismission was granted W. M. Barbee. W. H. Page was elected treasurer of the church. It was decided to protract the next meeting. After the protracted meeting 21 joined the church. Services of the conference of September, 1895, were conducted by Madison Yates. Ethel Stone was received into the church by experience. R. T. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, J. L. Green, and Leo Burroughs were selected as delegates to attend the Union Meeting.

At the conference of October, 1895, the report of the Secretary of the Sunday School was read and adopted:

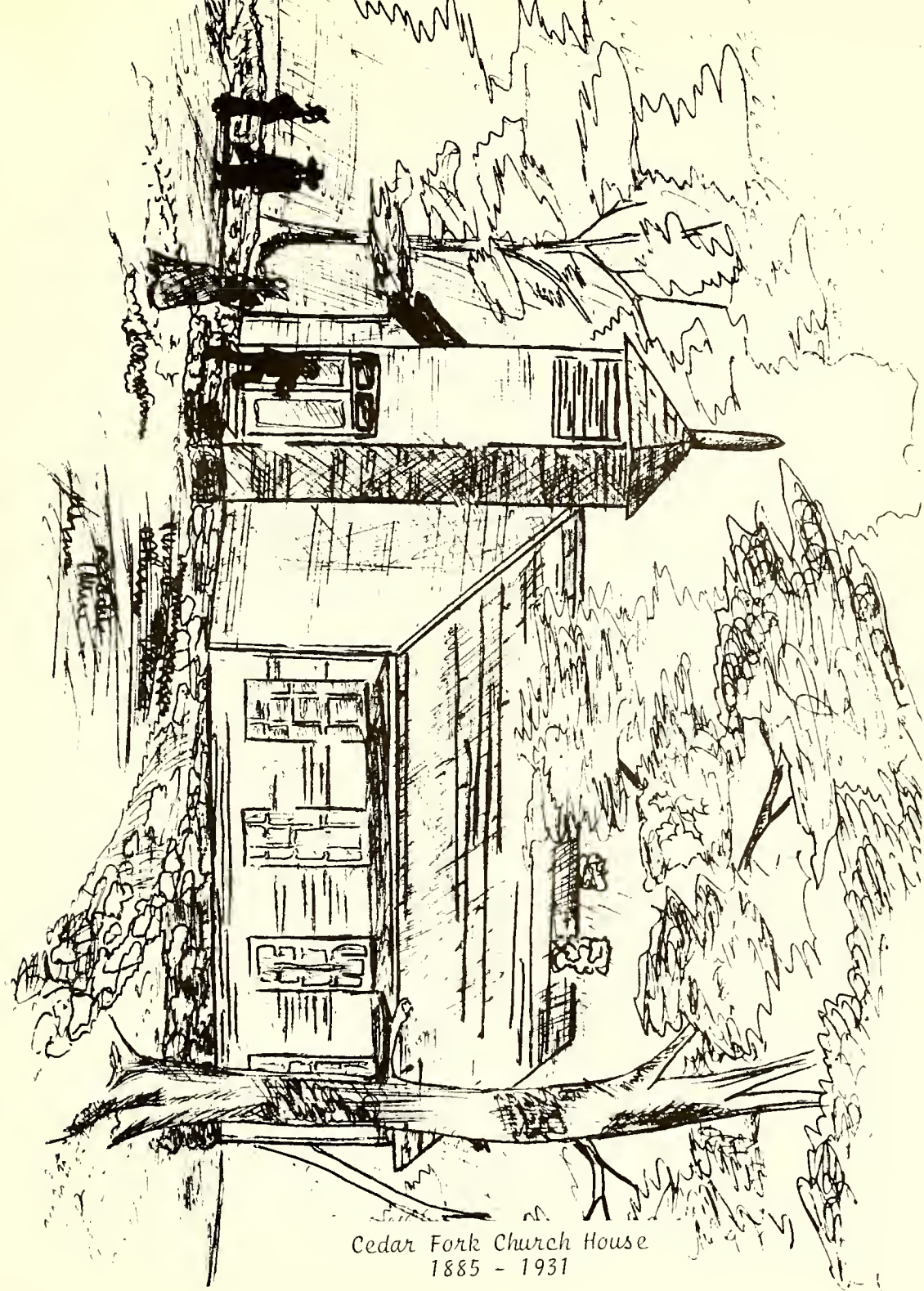
No. Officers and Teachers -	9	Home Missions	.41
No. of Scholars	- 128	Foreign Missions	.82
No. Quarterlies, cards, etc.-	105	Orphanage	<u>5.33</u>
School Expenses	\$8.82	Total	\$7.16
Assoc. Missions	.60		

Delegates were elected to attend the Association to be held at Bethesda October 8 and 9 and 10, 1895. They were R. T. Shipp, Hugh Green, C. Barbee, and I. S. Barbee. Alternates were M. L. Sorrell, John T. Shipp, L. A. Page, and J. R. Page. For minute fund \$2.00 was sent. The following Sunday after services the church convened in conference. Johnnie Shipp was baptized by Pastor W. S. Olive. A letter was renewed to Maggie L. Cole. In the church letter adopted at this meeting membership consisted of 60 males, 130 females. Pastor's salary was \$150.00. Contributions included \$12.55 for houses of worship. Missions contributions totaled \$64.72. Sum of all church expenses and collections: \$240.07. The delegates were instructed to pledge the same amount.

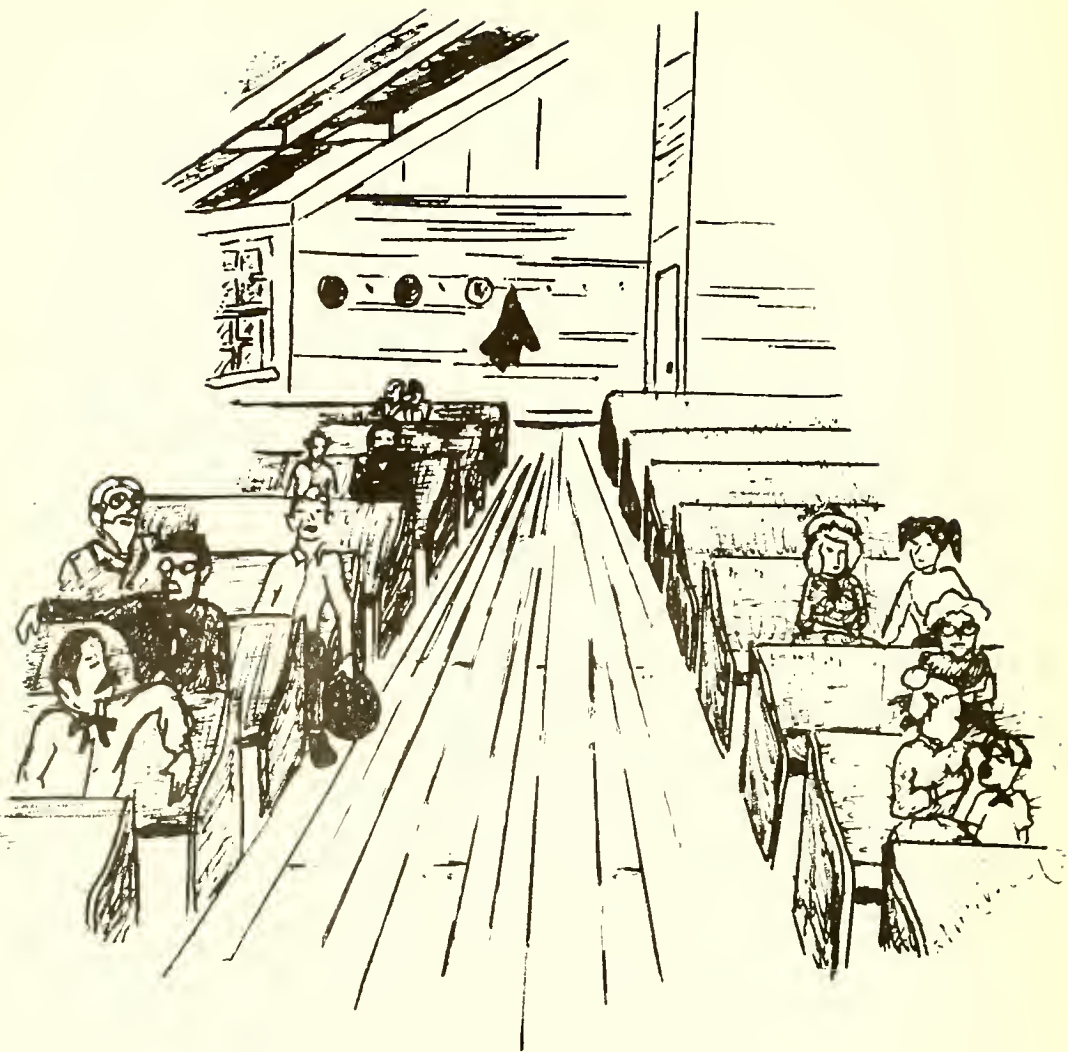
At the conference of December, 1895, delegates appointed to the Union Meeting were G. W. Barbee, I. S. Barbee, C. Barbee, and W. H. Burroughs. A Committee of Hospitality appointed for the Union Meeting included Hugh Green, Q. L. Sorrell, and E. Walton.

Conference services for January, 1896, were conducted by I. S. Barbee. After conference the parts of the old carpet were sold, amounting to \$1.10. At the conference in February, 1896, Quinton Powell was received by letter from Mt. Herman. Q. L. Sorrell was employed as sexton at a salary of \$10.00. Proceeds from the old carpet were taken to pay on a new one. The finance committee appointed for the year was W. H. Page, W. H. Burroughs, Jesse Beasley, Jr. R. Page, J. H. Shipp, M. L. Sorrell, and George Barbee. The church assumed the expenses of the Sunday School for this year to the amount of \$10.00. On Sunday morning Cornelia F. Hopson was received by letter from Mt. Herman. At conference of March, 1896, the treasurer was authorized to pay over the money advanced by the deacons as soon as the money came into the treasury. The treasurer reported:

Money received from collectors for 1895	\$141.05
" " " C. Barbee " "	5.00
" paid over by treasurer for 1894	2.60
Proceeds from sale of old carpet 1895	<u>1.10</u>
Total received	149.75

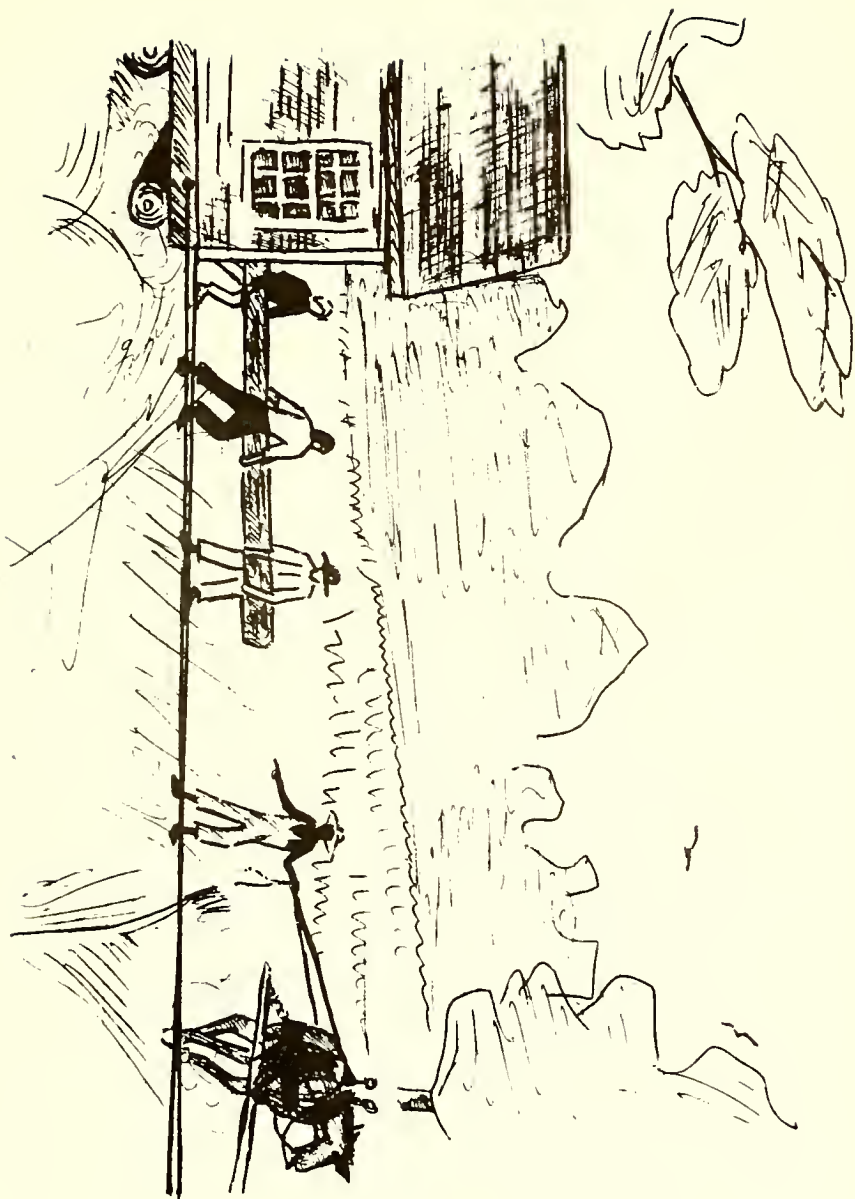


Cedar Fork Church House  
1885 - 1931

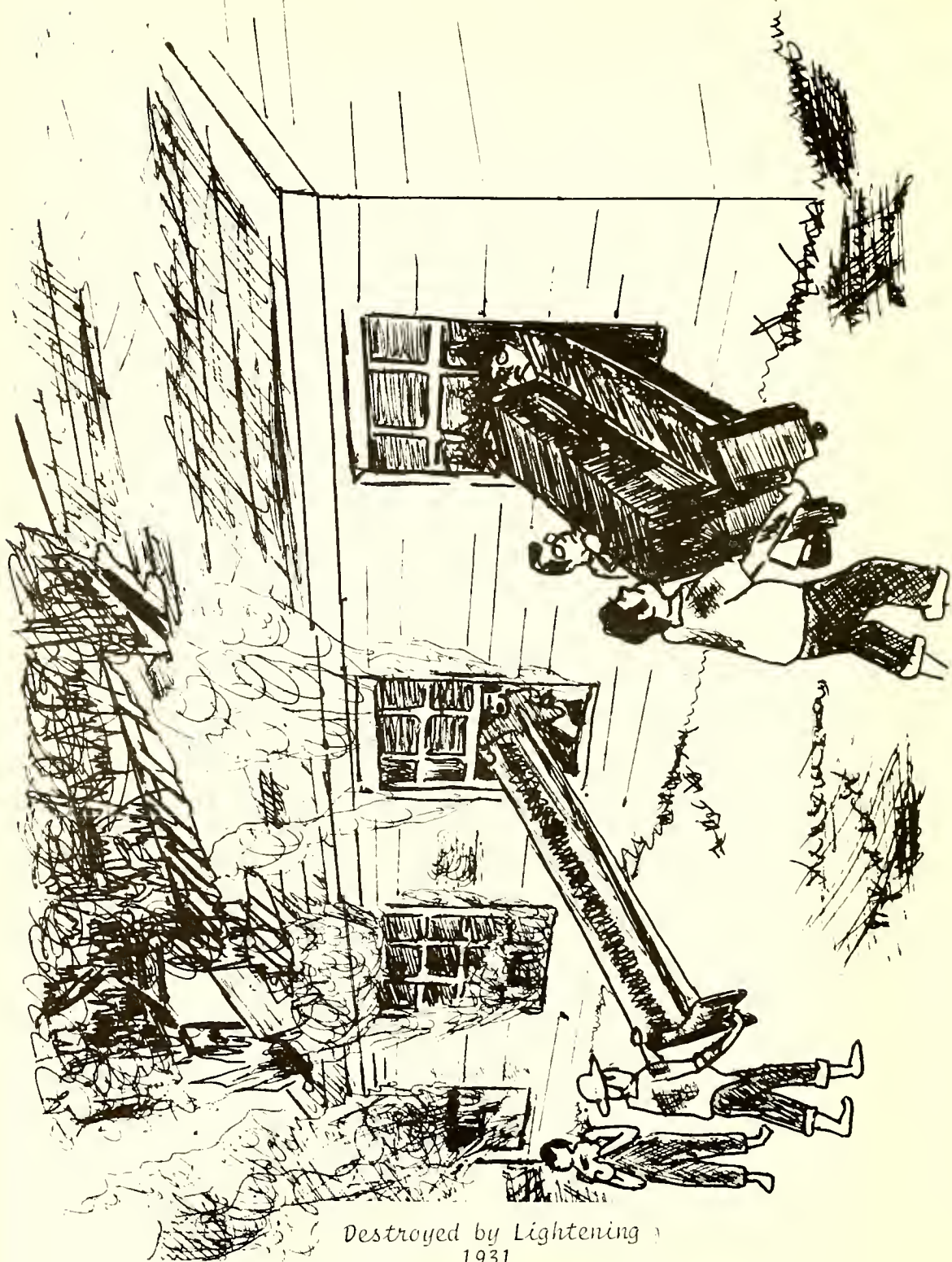


*Interior View Around 1890  
Male and Female Members were Always Seated Separately*





*Relocation of Church House in 1925*



Destroyed by Lightning  
1931



Paid to Sexton	\$ 7.50
" for repairing windows	2.20
" to Hugh Green on Carpet	1.10
" for wine	.75
" " minute fund	2.00
" to Pastor	<u>150.00</u>
Total paid out	163.55

Less \$15.00 advanced by Hugh Green, R. T. Shipp, and I. S. Barbee, \$5.00 each, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$1.20  
W. H. Page, treasurer

R. T. Shipp, J. L. Green, Geo. Barbee, and L. A. Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. Hugh Green and Della Page were appointed a committee to collect for Missions.

At the conference of April, 1896, a collection for the church at Washington was taken, amounting to \$2.50. I. S. Barbee, W. H. Burroughs, and W. H. Page were appointed to see if they could secure a place for a church cemetery near the church.

Services for the conference of May, 1896, were conducted by H. M. Cates. A letter of dismission was granted Susan Moore. As the conference overlooked the appointing of delegates to the Union Meeting, the pastor and some of the brethren appointed E. Walton, W. S. Page, A. L. Barbee, and Joseph Shipp.

Conference of July, 1896, was conducted by S. W. Oldham. Myrtle Barbee was received by letter from Good Hope Baptist Church. Hugh Green was appointed to have the windows repaired. Services for the conference of August, 1896, were conducted by I. S. Barbee.

At conference of September, 1896, the committee on having windows repaired presented a bill:

Repairing	\$ .80	
Cords	.65	The treasurer was ordered to pay the
Hinges	<u>.10</u>	bill.
	1.55	

A letter of dismission was granted Alonzo Witherspoon. R. T. Shipp, Hugh Green, E. Walton, and Joseph Shipp were elected delegates and C. Barbee, I. S. Barbee, Sidney Page, and Alice Barbee were elected alternates to the Association. Minute fund sent was \$2.00. Delegates were authorized to pledge at the Association the same as last year. Letters of dismission were granted Bettie and Viola Johnson.

At November conference a letter of dismission was granted Sallie Jones. R. T. Shipp, High Green, George Barbee, and Jesse Beasley were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. A committee of J. H. Shipp, M. L. Sorrell, I. S. Barbee, W. H. Burroughs, and E. Walton was appointed to secure a place for a graveyard, and it was voted to raise the money by subscription. In December R. M. Jones and wife and daughter were received by letter from Bethesda Church. A letter of dismission was granted Sallie Brown. A collection was taken on Sunday for State Missions. The resignation of the clerk was received. The clerk was allowed \$2.50 for services each year. E. Walton was elected clerk.

At conference of January, 1897, names were called for contribution. The committee to secure a place for a graveyard reported that they could not secure a suitable place. The committee was discharged. G. W. Barbee's report as collector was received, and he continued as collector. Etta Stone and M. L. Sorrell were appointed collectors for contributions. The church assumed the expense for Sunday School for 1897, amount \$10.00. Delegates appointed to attend the Association were A. L. Barbee, Joseph Shipp, J. L. Green, and Connie Shipp. The same financial plan as heretofore was used. On Sunday the deacons were appointed to apportion members for 1897.

#### Report of Treasurer for 1896

Feb. 29, 1896 Collected from C. Barbee	\$14.50
" " A. C. Lowe	2.00
Balance on hand	1.20
Amount \$17.70, of which I paid \$15.00 to the deacons, that was owing on pastor's salary, leaving \$2.70 for 1897.	
Received from G. W. Barbee	89.60

Missions from Hugh Green	\$53.03
" " Della Page	23.00
" " Sunday School	26.00
For House of Worship in Washington	<u>2.50</u>
Total	104.53

#### Disbursements

For S. S. Supplies	\$8.18	
" minute fund	2.00	
" church repairs	1.55	
" Pastor	<u>79.00</u>	
Total	90.73	W. H. Page, Treasurer

At conference of February, 1897, names were called for contributions. The committee on sexton had secured the services of Q. L. Sorrell, at a salary of \$10.00 for 1897. A letter of dismissal was granted Jennie Jones. Letters were also granted Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Hurst, son, and daughter.

In March names were called for contributions for missions. Letters of dismissal were granted Florence Faucette and Mattie Hodge. Hugh Green was appointed to have the house repaired.

Again at April conference names were called for contributions to missions. A branch Sunday School was scheduled to meet at High Point Second Sunday in April. On Sunday I. S. Barbee was elected Superintendent of Branch Sunday School at High Point.

At May conference services were conducted by I. S. Barbee, and H. M. Cates was moderator, pro tem. Names were again called for contributions. Hugh Green, C. Barbee, Joseph Shipp, and J. L. Green were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting.

At June conference a letter of dismissal was granted Nancy I. Williams. A letter from Mr. White pleading for contributions to Foreign Missions was presented to the church. At July conference it was decided to protract the next meeting. It was decided that the pastor should secure someone to help him in the protracted meeting. After the protracted meeting Gus Lougee, John Pendergrass, Ernest

Green, Clarence Page, Herschel Ferrell, Rosa Green, Mary Herndon, Pattie Page, Hattie Page were received as subjects for baptism. Another member was restored. The church delegates to the Union Meeting to be held with West Durham Church were Luther Barbee, Joseph Shipp, George Barbee, and J. L. Green.

At September, 1897, conference delegates were chosen for the Association: R. T. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, George Barbee, and W. H. Burroughs.

Services for October, 1897, were by W. S. Olive and H. M. Cates. On Sunday these candidates were baptized:

John Pendergrass	Augustus Lougee
Herschel Ferrell	Veora Lewter
Ernest Green	Rosie Green
Clarence Page	Mary Herndon

The letter to the Association noted 8 baptized, 2 restored, 5 dismissed by letter, 1 excluded, 2 died. Membership: 68 males, 124 females, total 180. Pastor W. S. Olive, Superintendent of Sunday School, E. Walton. Sunday School lasts all year.

Expenses		Contributions	
Pastor's salary	\$150.00	State Missions	\$17.18
Incidental Expenses	17.50	Home Missions	5.00
Minute fund	2.00	Foreign Missions	10.00
Repairs	<u>2.05</u>	Education	5.00
	171.55	Associational Missions	15.00
		Orphanage	13.21
		Ministers' Relief	<u>5.00</u>
			70.39
Total of Expenses and Contributions			241.94

Sunday School		Contributions	
Officers and Teachers	7	State Missions	\$ .52
No. of Scholars	123	Home Missions	.50
Quarterlies and papers	100	Foreign Missions	1.05
School expense	7.00	Orphanage	<u>2.02</u>
		Total	4.12

Conference of November, 1897, N. M. Green joined the church. In January, 1898, Lizzie Morris was appointed sexton at \$10.00 a year. R. T. Shipp was appointed to carry funds to Sister Clements, amount, \$4.20. Joe Shipp and Cornelia Burroughs were appointed finance committee for missions for 1898. The next day the church agreed to pay \$10.00 for Sunday School supplies. J. H. Shipp, L. A. Page, Luther Barbee, and Q. L. Powell were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held with the church at East Durham. Finance committee appointed by the pastor consisted of John Shipp, J. Beasley, M. L. Sorrell, L. A. Page, and B. H. Marcom. At conference of February, 1898, Treasurer reported:

On hand for 1896 - \$1.57		For 1897	
Recd. of G. W. Barbee	\$63.65	Recd. of Hugh Green	\$135.35
" " I. S. Barbee	1.85	" for Jessie Howell	.82
" " C. Barbee	3.75	" " Missions	74.76
" " R. T. Shipp	5.00	Remainder for 1896	10.02
" " Hugh Green	<u>14.50</u>	" " 1898	<u>25.25</u>
Total	91.02	Total Received	245.20

#### Disbursements

Paid remainder of pastor's salary	\$71.00
" sexton	<u>10.00</u>
	81.00
Remainder of 1896	\$10.02

Paid Pastor	\$138.08
" church clerk	2.50
" for Sunday School	10.00
" " sexton	10.00
" Brother Horton for Assistance in Revival	5.00
" for monument for Jesse Howell	.82
" " church repairs	.50
" " minute fund	2.00
" " checks and stamps	.08
" " missions	<u>74.76</u>
Total paid for 1897	243.74
On hand for 1897	1.71

W. H. Page, Treasurer

Letters of dismissal were granted A. Lougee, W. D. Carlton, and Nannie Lloyd. The resignation of W. H. Page as treasurer was received and C. Barbee was elected church treasurer. Joe Shipp was elected clerk. At conference of March, 1898, letters of dismissal were granted Susan Jones and Betsy High.

Services at conference for April, 1898, were conducted by A. D. Hunter. At this meeting a letter of dismissal was granted Maimie Dixerson. Allie Upchurch conducted services of May, 1898. Hugh Green, L. A. Page, C. Barbee, and Joe Shipp were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. A letter of dismissal was granted J. A. Jones. At the next meeting C. Barbee, Hugh Green, Q. L. Sorrell, and Delos Sorrell were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. In September letters of dismissal were granted Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Weatherspoon, and son, Sidney. C. Barbee, I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, and E. Walton were appointed delegates to the Mt. Zion Association to be held at Antioch Church, and R. T. Shipp, Luther Barbee, A. L. Barbee, and Sidney Page were appointed alternates. Letters of dismissal were granted Winne Stone and Martha J. Marcom. In October conference E. L. Womble was received by letter from the Durham First Church. For minute fund \$2.00 was appropriated. In November G. F. Lewter was received by letter from Green Level Church. Last year's plan for raising mission money was adopted.

At the conference of January, 1899, the decision was made to invite the Union Meeting to Cedar Fork. The finance committee appointed for the year included I. S. Barbee, J. H. Shipp, E. Walton, W. H. O'Briant, and W. D. Beasley. Letters of dismissal were granted W. H. Burroughs and family. At a called meeting Sunday after preaching C. Barbee was elected Sunday School Superintendent and Etta Stone, organist. Hugh Green, J. L. Green, George Barbee, and L. J. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. R. T. Shipp, E. Walton, and Q. L. Sorrell were appointed the committee on hospitality. Q. L. Sorrell and Etta Stone were appointed collectors for Missions. Myrtie Page was elected Infant Class teacher. In February a committee of three was appointed to aid in collecting. The committee was R. T. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, and Joe Shipp. Lenna Walton was elected assistant



organist. In March the sexton committee reported that Lizzie Morris would take the sexton's place at the same salary. The report was adopted.

In April, 1898, conference the treasurer made his report:

Received for church expenses for 1898—\$175.36

Received for Missions for 1898—\$75.50

Paid Pastor	\$150.00
" sexton	10.00
" E. Walton	1.49
" for Sunday School Supplies	8.09
" W. H. Morris for key	.10
" for one gallon of wine	1.50
" clerk	2.00
" minute fund	<u>2.00</u>
Total	175.18
Paid to Home Missions	\$ 5.00
" " Foreign Missions	10.00
" " Orphanage	16.00
" " State and Associational Missions	30.00
" " Education	5.00
" " Ministers' Relief	5.00
" " Gen. Mgr. Home at Orphanage	<u>1.25</u>
	72.25
Balance on hand \$0.18	
Total paid out \$72.25	
Balance on hand \$3.25	C. Barbee, Treasurer

In March, 1900, W. D. Carlton was received by letter from First Baptist Church of Durham. In April Martha J. Barbee was received by letter. E. Walton was elected assistant clerk. Delegates were appointed to meet with the Century Meeting of the Mt. Zion Association, to meet with Second Church at Durham, N. C., May 4, 1900. Delegates were I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, J. L. Green, and George Barbee, Jr. In June M. L. Womble was granted a letter of dismission. In August Thomas Pendergrass, I. S. Barbee, G. W. Barbee, C.

Barbee were appointed delegates to the Mt. Zion Association; alternates were Lonnie Barbee, Delos Sorrell, L. A. Page, and Hugh Green. In September E. Walton, R. L. Burgess, Dallas Beasley, and Lonnie Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting.

There was a called meeting to make out the church letter in October, 1900. It was composed as follows: Membership of males and females, 181; Seating Capacity of the Church, 450; Numbers of Biblical Recorders taken, 10; Value of Church Property Estimated \$1200.00.

Church Expenses		Contributions	
Pastor's salary	\$150.00	State Missions	\$15.00
Incidental expenses	23.30	Associational Missions	16.00
Poor	17.50	Home Missions	5.20
Minute fund	<u>2.00</u>	Foreign Missions	20.00
	192.80	Education	5.00
		Orphanage	15.00
		Ministers' Relief	<u>6.00</u>
			82.85

Officers and Teachers	12
Number of Schools	2
Officers, teachers, and scholars	152
Average attendance during year	50
Quarterlies and Lesson helps taken	116
School Expenses	\$8.50

Associational Missions	\$ .62
Home Missions	1.03
Foreign Missions	.72
Education	<u>1.58</u>
	3.95

Grand Total all church and Sunday School Expenditures, \$277.40.

There was no conference on Saturday before Sunday in November. There was preaching by Reverend Mr. Green, Missionary

to China. At the conference of December, 1900, the same plan was adopted to raise Missions as was used last year. S. P. Markham was appointed collector for Missions for the coming year. J. L. Green, T. L. Pendergrass, Lonnie Barbee, and James Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held in Hillsboro.

In January, 1901, Luther Barbee was granted a letter of dismission. E. Walton was elected Sunday School Superintendent for the year, and I. S. Barbee, assistant. The finance committee was appointed Sunday, made of M. L. Sorrell, Ruf. Page, Q. L. Sorrell, J. C. Marcom, J. H. Shipp, Jim High, and Sidney Page. Conference services for February, 1901, were conducted by I. S. Barbee. The committee to get stoves reported that stoves cost \$14.70. The committee was instructed to get the stoves and raise the amount. A collection was taken to raise the money, and \$5.30 was raised. Brother Stone accepted the job of sexton at the same price as last year. Services at conference of March, 1901, were conducted by J. M. White. I. S. Barbee, Lonnie Barbee, Thos. L. Pendergrass, and Geo. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. W. M. Arnold, J. W. Arnold, Martha C. Arnold, Mary E. Arnold, and Sallie L. Arnold were received into the church Sunday by letter.

At the conference of April, 1901, C. Barbee, treasurer, reported for the year 1900. Total paid for expenses of the church was \$197.74; total for Missions, \$82.75. The treasurer, C. Barbee, resigned, and Geo. Barbee was elected treasurer. Brother W. M. Arnold was accepted as a deacon from Mt. Herman Baptist Church. I. S. Barbee, E. Walton, and Q. L. Sorrell were appointed a committee to have the well repaired. At conference for June, 1901, a letter from Brother R. J. Willingham was read. R. T. Shipp reported that Brother Tyree had accepted the invitation to be with us on second Saturday in July. M. L. Sorrell, H. Green, Delos Sorrell, and C. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting.

At a called meeting Sunday, June, 1901, a letter of dismission was granted Mattie Hurst. The time for protracting the meeting was set for the second week in August. The committee on the well reported. Sarah Beasley and Hugh Green

were appointed to raise money to pay the well debt. Baptizing was administered near Brother L. A. Page's after the August meeting on Tuesday morning, 1901, at 9:30 a.m. and 43 were baptized and seven restored. Those baptized were

Fannie Pendergrass	Fabius H. Page	Nannie Hopson
Dennie Howard	Julius B. Maynard	Dora L. Lowe
Bunnie Howard	Edgar E. Givson	Lillie Jenkins
W. T. Markham	Scott Green	Virgie Green
Frank Page	Geo. Hopson	A. Fern Barbee
Ernest D. Page	M. M. Lowe	L. Berta Hopson
David C. O'Briant	Mrs. M. B. Howard	Gertrude Jones
L. C. Morris	Lula Belle Burgess	W. B. Hopson
Claud L. Stone	Ester Burgess	Willie C. Young
Theron O. Sorrell	Myrtle Markham	James Brown
Edgar E. Hopson	Mollie A. Maynard	James C. Green
Clarence Edwards	Tullie E. O'Briant	G. M. Green
John R. Morris	Clinton High	Charlie Barbee
W. C. Clements	Mary A. Lewter	Excell Green

At conference of September, 1901, Lonnie Barbee, Charley Barbee, I. S. Barbee, and Hugh Green were appointed delegates to the Association. It was agreed to send \$2.25, minute fund. The church clerk was authorized to buy a church record book and the treasurer to pay for it. At the conference of October, 1901, services were conducted by W. C. Tyser. E. Walton asked the church to help pay for lamps. The church agreed to do so, and Sarah Beasley was asked to help raise the money, the church's appointed a committee of R. T. Shipp, J. L. Green, and Brother Stone was appointed to secure a step ladder for the use of the church. A special collection was taken for State Missions, and \$1.37 was collected. There was a roll call for the pledges for Missions for 1902. A letter of dismissal was granted Charlie Barbee. At the conference of November, 1901, a committee was appointed to have the lamps replaced. It was Q. L. Sorrell, J. Beasley, W. D. Stone, W. H. Page, and Hugh Green. At the conference of December, 1901, services were conducted by E. Walton. Pete Hopson was received as a member from Mt. Herman by letter. Ernest Green, George Hopson, Scott Green, and

R. M. Jones were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. E. Walton was re-elected Superintendent of the Sunday School for the next year. Services at the conference of January, 1902, were conducted by A. D. Hunter. The committee on the stepladder reported that he had bought a ladder for \$2.50. The treasurer was instructed to pay for the ladder. R. T. Shipp gave an interesting report of the Union Meeting held at Sandy Level Church. Next Union Meeting is to be held at Olive Branch Church. R. T. Shipp was granted a letter of dismission. Etta Stone was elected Teacher of the Infant Class.

Jodie Shipp, Matthew Lowe, B. H. Marcom, E. Walton, Sanders Burgess, and Hugh Green and S. P. Marcom were appointed finance committee for 1902. On Sunday A. D. Hunter lectured for the Baptist Female University, and a collection was made amounting to \$7.35.

At the conference for February, 1902, the committee on securing a sexton for 1902 reported that they had secured the services of W. D. Stone for sexton for 1902 for \$16.00. Treasurer George Barbee made his report for 1901. Received for church expenses \$185.75. Paid as pastor's salary \$141.35; paid for all expenses, \$193.25; received for Missions, \$92.12. Of this amount Woman's Missionary Society paid \$48.37. Brother George Barbee offered his resignation as treasurer, but he was re-elected for the year 1902. Thomas D. Pendergrass offered his resignation as clerk. S. P. Marcom was elected church clerk for 1902. R. T. Shipp recalled his letter of dismission. A committee consisting of B. H. Marcom, Jesse Beasley, J. R. Page, and R. T. Shipp was appointed to help the clerk revise the church roll and place it on the new church record book. At the conference of March, 1902, Herschel Ferrell was granted a letter of dismission. I. S. Barbee, W. M. Arnold, C. Barbee, and L. A. Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. E. Walton, Hugh Green, and S. P. Marcom were appointed to repair the roof and fix seats. At the conference of April, 1902, J. H. Barbee, Nannie M. Barbee, Florrie Herndon, Cornelia Barbee, and Cora Barbee were received by letter from Berea Church. A committee of J. R. Page, B. H. Marcom, and I. S. Barbee was appointed to fix Rules of Decorum and present

them at next conference. Brother J. H. Barbee was received as a deacon. At conference of May, 1902, J. L. Dupree was received by letter from Morrisville. The committee on church benches reported that they could get them fixed for \$35.00. J. H. Shipp and Hugh Green were appointed to estimate the cost of painting the house and recovering the roof. At conference of June, 1902, Elbert Burgess was received from Morrisville. D. W. Sorrell was granted a letter of dismissal. To the duties of the committee was added the duty of estimating the cost of a bell and belfry. E. Walton, J. H. Barbee, Hugh Green, and James Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting with Bethel Church.

Services for the conference of July, 1902, were conducted by Reverend Madison Yates. Desil Hopson was received by letter from Berea. Rules of Decorum were adopted to be put in the new book. The conference of August, 1902, appointed E. Walton, I. S. Barbee, L. A. Page, and C. Barbee delegates to the Union Meeting to meet with Mt. Ada Church. Conference of September, 1902, ordered \$2.25 to be sent as minute fund to the Association. I. S. Barbee and E. Walton were appointed a committee to have the top of the church pitched, and to cut a hole in the ceiling and examine the piping. M. L. Sorrell, S. P. Marcom, A. J. Burgess, and I. S. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association to be held with East Durham Baptist Church. In November the church adopted the same plan for raising Missions for this year. The committee decided to recover instead of pitching the house, also to build a steeple and paint the house and seats. Johnnie Shipp, Ernest Green, J. H. Barbee, and J. L. Whitley were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. The church voted to invite the next Union Meeting to meet at Cedar Fork. The church agreed to pay \$1.95 for repairs to the well. Reverend W. S. Olive was appointed to solicit funds to pay for the work on the church.

At the conference of December, 1902, Susan Rue was granted a letter of dismissal. I. S. Barbee was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School, and Hugh Green, Assistant. Etta Stone was re-elected organist, and Cornelia Barbee,



Assistant. Etta Stone was also re-elected Teacher of the Infant Class. Lila Shipp, Maud Sorrell, and Bettie Barbee were appointed to see the sisters that didn't pay anything last year for Missions. Hugh Green was appointed collector for the repairing committee.

At the conference of January, 1903, the committee on sexton reported that they had secured the services of W. D. Stone for the year 1903 for \$16.00. The finance committee was Hugh Green, J. H. Shipp, L. A. Page, W. T. Marcom, and G. M. Green. Q. L. Sorrell was appointed collector for Missions for 1903. In March, 1903, S. P. Marcom was re-elected church clerk for the year. The committee was instructed to paint the church on the outside and to take off the window blinds and frost the windows. L. A. Page, C. Barbee, M. L. Sorrell, and J. O. Marcom were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. R. T. Shipp, Sidney Page, E. Walton, and W. M. Arnold were appointed committee of hospitality. At a short conference on Sunday morning John Barbee and wife were received by letter from Berea. Ida Barbee was granted a letter of dismissal. In April Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Young were received by letter from Youngsville Baptist Church. The \$25.00 that was borrowed by the building committee from the treasurer was given to pay off the church indebtedness. The treasurer, George Barbee, reported for 1902: Received for Church Expenses \$207.80; paid out for Church Expenses \$182.80; Received for Missions \$92.12. Of this amount Woman's Missionary Society paid \$34.85. James High, E. Walton, and H. T. Barbee were appointed a committee to get up money Saturday evening and Monday morning to pay off the church debt.

At conference of May, 1903, D. W. Sorrell was received by letter from Fruitland Baptist Church. J. H. Shipp, J. H. Barbee, W. W. Arnold, and George Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting with Second Church at Durham. The committee appointed to get up money to pay the debt reported they had collected something over \$5.00, paid in full.

At the conference of June, 1903, Brother Boone was invited to give a talk about the Orphanage. Hugh Green was appointed to help Mr. Olive take subscriptions to raise money to pay for paint and painting the inside of the church.

Services at conference of July, 1903, were conducted by Reverend J. B. Boone. The church decided to protract the next meeting. Etta Stone offered her resignation as Infant Class Teacher. R. T. Shipp was elected as Infant Class Teacher for the year.

At conference of August, 1903, R. T. Shipp would not accept as Teacher of Infant Class. Lenna Walton was elected as Infant Class Teacher. Ethel Broadwell was granted a letter of dismission. After the revival new members were received. The list for baptism included

Mazie Whitely	Lula Marcom	Baptism was administered by Reverend J. M. White, after which Brother White preached.
Flonnie Beasley	Lelia Lowe	
Lelia High	Ida Hopson	
Minnie E. Page	Lona F. Sorrell	
Bessie M. Burgess	Annie Lee Walton	

Services for the conference of September, 1903, were conducted by D. W. Sorrell. Delegates appointed to the Association to be held at Cane Creek were E. Walton, J. H. Barbee, Hugh Green, and C. Barbee; alternates: Jodie Shipp, Lonnie Barbee, E. R. Green, and James Barbee. It was decided to invite the next Association to come to Cedar Fork. At the conference of November, 1903, the church decided to have a called conference to raise money to pay off the church debt, which was done. It was all settled and vouched for. Lonnie Barbee, George Barbee, Q. L. Sorrell, and Hugh Green were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting held at Berry's Grove Church. Judas B. Maynard, Mollie A. Maynard, Sarah H. King, and Marie Gibson were granted letters of dismission.

At the conference of December, 1903, I. S. Barbee was elected Sunday School Superintendent, and E. Walton, Assistant Superintendent. A collection taken up for Fuquay Springs Church amounted to \$1.52.

At the conference of January, 1904, the committee on the sexton reported they had secured the services of W. D. Stone, at the same price, for 1904. The Finance Committee consisted of John W. M. Barbee, J. H. Shipp, Delos Sorrell, B. H. Marcom, A. J. Burgess, J. L. Green, and Hugh Green. The church agreed to pay Mr. Olive \$175.00 for 1904. Etta

Stone was elected Infant Class Teacher for the year. Joseph Shipp was appointed Collector of Missions for 1904. The building and repairing committee made a final report for work and cash.

Received in cash	\$417.18
" " work	<u>60.00</u>
	477.18

This amount includes building belfrey, covering, jacking up, filling in yard in front of house.

Amount of money raised by the Sisters	
Carpet and Chairs	<u>\$41.85</u>
	\$518.98

Committee:  
 I. S. Barbee, Ch.  
 J. H. Shipp  
 E. Walton  
 J. C. Marcom  
 Jesse Beasley

C. Barbee, J. H. Barbee, Joseph Shipp, and Sanders Burgess were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Yates Church.

At the conference of February, 1904, the treasurer, George Barbee, made a final report for 1903:

Received for Church Expenses	\$180.99
Paid for Church Expenses	
Pastor's Salary	150.00
Sexton	16.00
Minute Fund	2.50
Wine	1.00
Sunday School Supplies	7.79
Clerk	<u>3.00</u>
Total	180.29
Balance on hand	.70
Special Collections	
Paid Reverend Mr. Boone	6.60
J. O. Alderman	13.85
Fuquay Springs Baptist Church	<u>1.52</u>
Total	22.00

Received for Missions	\$118.93
Paid to Missions	
Education	6.00
State Missions	17.00
Association	17.00
Orphanage	15.00
Foreign Missions	30.00
Ministers' Relief	7.00
Home Missions	6.00
Paid to State Missions for 1904	<u>18.17</u>
Total	116.67
Balance on hand	2.26
Received from W. M. S.	40.21

This report shows the influence of a missionary minded pastor, W. S. Olive, in leading the church to a budget almost evenly divided between church expenses and Missions.

A committee consisting of Ernest R. Green and Lila Shipp was appointed to get up some money for Edgemont Sunday School. In March Clinton High was granted a letter of dismission. The church paid off a medical bill of Pete Hopson's daughter's, which was \$9.00. At conference of April, 1904, D. W. Sorrell, Joseph Shipp, James Barbee, and E. Walton were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Olive Branch Church. Collection taken up for Elizabeth City Baptist Church amounted to \$2.00. Services for May, 1904, were led by Allie Upchurch. Etta Stone offered her resignation as Teacher of the Infant Class. Rivanna Sorrell was elected Infant Class Teacher. Pattie Page was elected organist. The church agreed to raise \$73.00 to help build a new house at the Orphanage. Joseph Shipp and H. Ella Green were appointed to help raise subscriptions for the Orphanage Building.

At the conference of June, 1904, Reverend C. J. Thompson was invited to preach for us on Saturday at our next meeting. The church gave Anti-Saloon League permission to meet in the church house. The old building committee was reappointed to raise money to get a bell, buy it, and put it up. There was no conference in July on account of rain. On Sunday morning delegates were appointed to attend the Union Meeting; they

were Hugh Green, C. Barbee, S. P. Marcom, and George Barbee.

At the conference of August, 1904, J. R. Page, B. H. Marcom, W. H. Morris, and Isaiah Green were appointed delegates to attend the Association at Cedar Fork. Mrs. M. L. Sorrell, Lenna Walton, and H. Ella Green were appointed to draw up resolutions of Etta Stone's death, a copy to be spread on the church book, also to the Recorder, 60 words, and a copy sent to the family.

The church decided to have a long table at the Association. J. H. Shipp, Hugh Green, and M. L. Sorrell were appointed a committee on hospitality to provide homes for the delegates to the Association. D. W. Sorrell was granted a letter of dismission. Hugh Green and E. Walton and J. H. Barbee were made a committee on the organ.

At the conference of September, 1904, it was agreed to send up \$3.00 minute fund. L. A. Page, B. H. Marcom, and W. H. Page were given more time to clean out the grove and make the table. At the close of the Association the church met in conference and decided not to have any meeting in October. Bettie Edwards was granted a letter of dismission.

At the conference of November, 1904, a committee of five was appointed to make arrangements for the Hundredth Anniversary and Reunion to be held at Cedar Fork Church next April. The committee consisted of B. H. Marcom, R. T. Shipp, I. S. Barbee, W. H. Hopson, and J. R. Page. At the conference of December, 1904, R. T. Shipp asked to be taken off the committee for the Centennial Planning, and J. H. Shipp was appointed in his place. J. C. Yates was received by letter of dismission from Berea. E. Walton was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School for 1905. Rivanna Sorrell was elected Teacher of the Infant Class.

At the conference of January, 1905, the committee on the organ reported that they had had it repaired at a cost of \$5.00. The church ordered the treasurer to pay the \$5.00. It was decided to try to pay church expenses quarterly. Pattie Page was elected organist. Letters of dismission were granted Martha Haley and William Haley. The finance committee for the year 1905 was appointed consisting of Hugh Green, J. H. Shipp, L. A. Page, J. C. Marcom, J. M. Barbee, S. P. Marcom, and H. T. Barbee. Joe Shipp was appointed Collector of Missions for this year.

At the conference of February, 1905, the report on repairing the church property was received. The cost was \$1.65. The committee to secure the services of a sexton reported that Brother Walton would take the place for \$18.00 a year. Sisters Mollie and Fannie Haley were granted letters of dismission. The church agreed to buy enough cloth to make a curtain for the Infant Class. Isiah Green was appointed committee in W. H. Hopson's place. Joseph Shipp was elected Assistant Clerk.

In March Myrtle Ellis was received by letter from Bethesda. Ann Hopson was granted a letter of dismission. A collection was taken up for Sister Fannie Clements; amount: \$6.35. The committee on the Century Meeting made a report. They said they had made a program. Reverend A. C. Woodson, Reverend C. J. Thompson, and members who had once been members here were to speak. Time of meeting was 10 o'clock. The treasurer, George Barbee, reported for 1904: Received for Church Expenses \$219.56; Received for Missions \$133.79; Received for Special Collections \$54.40.

At the meeting of April, 1905, the church decided to have a long table at the Century Meeting and put their dinner on it. A committee to make the table was appointed, consisting of R. T. Shipp, Sanders Burgess, Bernard Green, and T. L. Pendergrass. Delegates to attend the Union Meeting were B. H. Marcom, I. S. Barbee, J. H. Shipp, James Barbee. M. L. Sorrell was appointed to have the windows fixed.

The Century Meeting met at Cedar Fork Church April 22, 1905. Reverend Livingston Johnson conducted the services. The minutes of the meeting contain a short history of the church. The day of its founding was given as April 22, 1805.

It is estimated that the church occupied in 1905 cost \$1000.00. In 1903 it was newly covered, painted inside and out, and a belfry built and a bell put in at a cost of about \$400.00. It was estimated in 1905 that no pastor ever received as much as \$100.00 a year before the time of A. D. Blackwood, he being the first to receive \$100.00 a year. The church now [1905] pays its pastor \$175.00. It raised more for Missions in 1904 than it had in any previous year.

At the Century Anniversary services I. S. Barbee read the record of Cedar Fork. S. C. Marcom, from Mt. Herman, spoke



of the Camp Meeting held here about 1839. Jacob Maynard, from Ephesus; J. H. Stone came from Cary; Gaston Page, from Bethesda; W. H. Weatherspoon, from Second Church (Temple Baptist), Durham; W. O. Stone, from East Durham; James Dunstan, Colored, from Shiloh; D. W. Sorrell, from First Church, Durham, spoke on "The Ideal Young Man." John Howard came from O'Kelley's Chapel; Reverend C. A. Sigmon and Reverend J. D. Parker, from Second Church, Durham; Reverend Livingston Johnson, of Raleigh; Judge Winston, of Raleigh. All these made short speeches. Reverend C. J. Thompson, of Durham Church, spoke on the subject "What the Baptists Have Done for the Last One Hundred Years."

In the conference of May, 1905, Analiza Kerr was granted a letter of dismissal. M. L. Sorrell was appointed to have the well fixed and call on the treasurer to pay for it. The church agreed to pay for some leaflets for children.

In June, 1905, C. Barbee, J. H. Barbee, and Q. L. Sorrell were appointed to look after some new Hymn Books. The church decided to protract the meeting from Fifth Sunday in July. These nine were received for baptism:

Marvin Beasley	Lewis Lowe	Gilly Hopson
Ella O'Briant	Harvey Barbee	Frank Pendergrass
John Jenkins	Mamie Burgess	Leah Sorrell
Ursula Pendergrass	Lula O'Briant	Lida Page
Allene Green		

The church paid Reverend J. N. Booth \$25.55 for helping in the meeting. The meeting closed after baptizing and preaching the first Sunday in August.

At the conference of September, 1905, Eliza Page was received by letter from Bethesda. Hugh Green, C. Barbee, Joseph Shipp, and E. Walton were appointed delegates to the Association; alternates: M. L. Sorrell, Edward Lowe, J. H. Shipp, and L. A. Page. The Association convened at Swepsonville. The church sent \$3.00 minute fund.

At the meeting of October, 1905, a letter was granted Rosa Green. Letters also were granted Samuel Green and Nannie Cook. Edgar D. Hopson, Edward Lowe, J. H. Shipp, and I. S. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union

Meeting at Yates Church.

In November, 1905, George B. Lewter was granted a letter of dismission. The church agreed to pay \$36.50, the largest apportionment, to the Orphanage Building. J. H. Shipp was appointed to solicit contributions to the Orphanage Building. Lila Shipp was to solicit for the same purpose from the women of the church.

At the conference of January, 1906, Sidney Page was granted a letter of dismission. Bernard Green was appointed Collector of Missions for 1906. Hattie Page was elected Infant Class Teacher. Pattie Page was elected organist for church and Sunday School for 1906. The church decided to commune the last meeting in each quarter. J. H. Shipp, Sanders Burgess, J. H. Barbee, M. L. Sorrell, W. T. Marcom, Jodie Shipp, and W. H. O'Briant were appointed finance committee for the year.

At the conference of February, 1906, George Barbee, Treasurer, made a final report for 1905: Received for church expenses: \$226.52; Received for Missions: \$153.90. The committee on sexton reported that they had secured E. Walton for sexton for 1906 at a salary of \$18.00. The treasurer was ordered to pay \$6.95, a balance on the Orphanage Building. Mrs. M. L. Sorrell was elected as Teacher of the Infant Class. Brother H. C. Moore was to be invited by our pastor to be at Cedar Fork as soon as he could.

At the conference of April, 1906, Elbert Burgess was granted a letter of dismission. Edward Lowe, Needham R. Shipp, and David C. O'Briant were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. Edward Lowe and Mrs. M. L. Sorrell were designated to solicit contributions for a Singing School.

Services for the conference of May, 1906, were conducted by Reverend S. C. Hilliard. On Sunday morning, June, 1906, a collection was taken up for Caroline Smith, \$5.85.

At the conference of July, 1906, a letter of dismission was granted Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shipp. C. Barbee, Hugh Green, and R. T. Shipp were appointed a committee to sell the old hymn books and the proceeds to be spent for the Baptist Hymn and Praise Book. J. H. Shipp, J. H. Barbee, C. Barbee, and Hugh Green were appointed delegates to the

Union Meeting at Bethesda. After conference of August, 1906, a public collection was taken on Sunday morning for 12 hymn books. The church agreed to pay the pastor \$200.00 a year.

At the conference of September, 1906, Mattie High was received by letter from Good Hope Church. Hattie Page was granted a letter of dismission. I. S. Barbee, Bernard Green, Edward Lowe, and C. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association at Bethel Church.

At the conference of November, 1906, a letter of dismission was granted Mollie A. Maynard.

At the conference of December, 1906, a letter of dismission was granted Pattie Baucom. Edward Lowe was elected Superintendent for Sunday School for 1907. Miss Pauline Whitely was appointed Teacher of the Infant Class.

At the conference of January, 1907, the church authorized the treasurer to pay \$10.00 to help finish the Durham and Mt. Zion Building at the Orphanage. The church agreed to invite the preachers of the Mt. Zion Association to preach on Missions and meet at 10:30 o'clock at the March meeting on Saturday. L. C. Morris was elected Assistant Clerk. Treasurer George Barbee reported for 1906. Received for Church Expenses \$223.50; Received for Missions \$186.00. The Finance Committee was named as J. L. Green, Reuben Herndon, J. M. Barbee, J. C. Marcom, C. Page, E. Walton, Hugh Green, chairman, for 1907. At the conference of February, 1907, Ernest R. Green was to be sexton for 1907 at a salary of \$18.00. The church excused our pastor from preaching on Sunday, to preach a funeral. At the conference of March, 1907, a committee was appointed to confer with the school committee to see if they would help repair the well. Committee was J. C. Markham, W. D. Stone, and T. L. Pendergrass. Pattie Baucom's church letter was renewed. A committee of the deacons was appointed to have the church land surveyed and establish the corners. Delegates appointed to attend the Union Meeting at Mt. Moriah were Edgar D. Hopson, Edward Lowe, J. H. Shipp, and James C. Green. At the conference of April, 1907, Edward Lowe offered his resignation as Superintendent of Sunday School, and E. Walton was elected Superintendent for the remainder of this year.

Belle Sorrell was elected organist; and Helen Shipp, Teacher of the Infant Class. The committee to have the land surveyed was given more time. Q. L. Sorrell and W. H. Morris were added to the committee.

At the conference of May, 1907, Sallie Brown and Joe E. Brown were granted letters of dismission. The committee to have land surveyed made a final report, which was adopted, and the treasurer ordered to pay for same, \$3.00.

At the conference of June, 1907, B. H. Marcom, Carlos Barbee, Theron O. Sorrell, Ernest R. Green were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting at Graham. The church decided to protract the meeting in August, leaving it to the pastor to get someone to help him in the meeting. The committee made a final report, which was adopted, in August. The treasurer was ordered to pay for same, which was \$3.19. The cost of repairing windows was \$2.85, the treasurer to pay for it.

At the revival meeting 22 gave their experience, as fit subjects for baptism. Brother Barrett, of Durham, did the preaching. Those baptized were Capitola Edwards, Davie Barbee, Lola Whitley, Lillian Sorrell, Nellie Page, Ida Marcom, Addie O'Briant, Lillie High, Eithel High, Eula O'Briant, Beulah Walton, Daisy Lee Roberts, Mazie Roberts, and May Sue Herndon. A committee to have a tent fixed for the girls to dress in after the baptizing consisted of L. A. Page, E. Walton, and Q. L. Sorrell. C. Barbee, Hugh Green, E. Walton, and James Brown were elected delegates to go to the Association to be held at Olive Chapel; alternates: A. L. Barbee, L. A. Page, James Barbee, and L. C. Morris. There were 24 baptized and added to the church the fourth Sunday in September.

The treasurer reported for 1907: Received for Church Expenses, \$227.30; Received for Missions, \$221.66. Received for the poor, \$17.50.

At the conference of December, 1907, letters of dismission were granted James Page and J. W. Arnold. Delegates were elected to go to the Union Meeting at Red Mountain. They were Edward Lowe, Bernard Green, James Brown, and A. L. Barbee.

At the conference of January, 1908, it was decided that the finance committee would consist of the deacons and

three lay members. The lay members were to be Edward Lowe, L. A. Page, and R. L. Burgess. Ernest R. Green was to be sexton for 1908 at a salary of \$18.00. E. Walton was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School. Rivanna Sorrell was elected Teacher of the Infant Class. Fannie Stone was granted a letter of dismission. The church adopted the plan it had been having for raising church expenses, by appointing a committee to make the apportionment.

At the conference of February, 1908, George Barbee offered his resignation as treasurer, which was accepted, and Fab Page was elected church treasurer. Hugh Green was appointed collector for church expenses. Maud Jones was granted a letter of dismission.

At the conference of March, 1908, the church endorses the action of the Sunday School, in accepting the Union Meeting to meet with us on fifth Sunday and Saturday before March. John Shipp, L. A. Page, Hugh Green, and W. H. Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. George Barbee, Ernest R. Green, and R. T. Shipp were appointed committee on hospitality.

The conference of May, 1908, was conducted by I. S. Barbee. Delegates to the Union Meeting at Graham were appointed: Edward Lowe, C. Barbee, L. C. Morris, and J. L. Green. Services of July, 1908, were conducted by I. S. Barbee and D. W. Sorrell.

After the August, 1908, conference a collection was taken Sunday morning to help build a church at North Charlotte, amounting to \$1.62.

At the conference of September, 1908, the church gave the money collected in Sunday School last quarter to the Orphanage above the pledge. Edward Lowe, T. L. Pendergrass, Hugh Green, and Fab H. Page were appointed delegates to the Association.

Services of the conference of October, 1908, were conducted by Brother Howard. Minnie Slater was granted a letter of dismission. J. H. Shipp and W. H. Hopson were appointed a committee to solicit contributions to the amount of \$10.00 to help pay a debt of the Mebane Church.

At the conference of November, 1908, Lonnie V. Herndon was granted a letter of dismission. Edward Lowe, Q. L.



Sorrell, Fab H. Page, and Claud L. Stone were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting in Mt. Herman. The missions report shows that the church paid Mebane Church \$14.00, as well as North Charlotte, \$1.62. This was the report of the Treasurer, Fab H. Page:

#### Missions

Sunday School paid	\$ 6.00
State Missions	32.00
Home Missions	30.00
Foreign Missions	50.00
Orphanage	30.00
Ministerial Education	6.00
Old Ministers' Relief	9.00
Associational Missions	25.00
By W. M. S.	\$ 66.00
By Male Members	<u>112.00</u>
Total	178.00

Received of Collectors	\$235.50
Paid Pastor	182.00
S. S. Supplies	13.20
Sexton	12.00
Mission book	.25
Last year debt	6.54
Minute fund	3.00
Wine	1.00
Clerk	<u>3.00</u>
Paid different objects	221.51
Total	16.97
Balance on hand	1.97
Received from Sunday School	17.29

At the conference of December, 1908, E. Walton was re-elected Sunday School Superintendent for 1909. The finance committee appointed for the year consisted of Clarence Edwards, Johnnie Shipp, Reuben Herndon, Frank Page, Luther Burgess, L. C. Morris, and Q. L. Sorrell.

At the conference of January, 1909, Bertha Moore was received by letter from Burlington. J. H. Shipp and wife, Clotilda Shipp, were granted letters of dismission, as were Martha A. and Sallie C. Arnold. Fab H. Page offered his resignation as treasurer, and Theron O. Sorrell was elected treasurer. On Sunday morning James Rich, Cynthia Rich, Minnie Rich, and Alfred Rich were received by letter from Mt. Herman. Ernest R. Green was appointed sexton for the year at a salary of \$18.00.

At the conference of March, 1909, letters were granted Johnnie Shipp and B. H. Marcom, James High, C. C. Edwards, James Brown, Paul L. Edwards, Buck Roberts, Mary J. Edwards, Capitola Edwards, Mattie High, Mollie Marcom, Lelia High, Eithel High, Cora Barbee, Davie Barbee, and Jennie Roberts.

At the conference of April, 1909, delegates were appointed to the Union Meeting: J. M. Barbee, Q. L. Sorrell, Edward Lowe, and George Barbee. The committee on securing collector for the year reported that Frank Page was collector. The deacons were appointed to go to High Point Church to see about their church organization. At the conference of May, 1909, Carlos Barbee was granted a letter of dismission. Services at the conference of July, 1909, were conducted by Reverend Mr. Hobbs. It was decided to have a protracted meeting in August. The treasurer was ordered to buy a well bucket, chain, and dipper.

At the conference of August, 1909, Elmira Davis was granted a letter of dismission. Letters of dismission were granted Gilley Lowe, Fannie Lowe, Lelia Lowe, Mrs. M. P. Hopson, Edward Hopson, Charlie L. Hopson, Bertie Hopson, Gilly Hopson, George Hopson, Daisy Hopson, G. M. Green, Carrie Green, Vergie Green, Allene Green, and Annie O'Briant. At the close of the protracted meeting the following were received for membership in the church after baptism:

Johnnie Jones	Estis Burgess	Mary Sorrell
Eddie Beasley	Hubert L. Page	Lalon O'Briant
Walter H. Green	Mallie Page	Azzie Marcom
Darius Rich	Urban Whitley	Lillian Page

At the conference of September, 1909, the resignation of Reverend W. S. Olive, which was offered in January, 1909, to take effect fourth Sunday in December, was received. The pastor's salary for the next year was fixed at \$175.00. The church called the Reverend Mr. Beach as pastor for the next year. Hugh Green and Q. L. Sorrell were appointed to "wait on" Brother Beach. At the next conference the committee reported that Brother Beach could not accept the pastorate. At the conference of October, 1909, letters of dismission were granted Rosa Cates, Elizabeth Green, and Addie Green. Edward Lowe, M. L. Sorrell, Sanders Burgess, and James Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association at Mars Hill. The church sent up \$2.50, minute fund. Letters of dismission were also granted M. M. Lowe, Lewis Lowe, James Lowe, and Delany Lowe, Dora Lowe, and Effie Beasley.

At a called meeting the church sent a call to Brother R. S. Stephenson to be pastor. Hugh Green and S. P. Marcom were appointed a committee to "wait on" Brother Stephenson. At the next meeting the committee reported that Brother Stephenson's time was full for the next year. Then Brothers C. Barbee, Hugh Green, and S. P. Marcom were appointed a committee to see whom we could get for pastor. At the conference of October, 1909, Brother W. T. Hall and wife Lula Hall and Miss Nannie E. Pigg were received by letters. The committee on pastor reported. Brother E. M. Lassiter was called to serve us next year at a salary of \$150.00. The same committee was retained to notify Brother Lassiter of the call.

At a called meeting on Fourth Sunday in December R. T. Shipp and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Young were granted letters of dismission. The committee on pastor reported that E. M. Lassiter would serve us the next year.

At the conference of January, 1910, Ernest R. Green reported that the cost on the well was \$2.85. E. Walton was re-elected Sunday School Superintendent. Mrs. E. Walton was elected teacher of the Infant Class. Mrs. Belle Green was re-elected organist for the year. Letters of dismission were granted Fannie Herndon, J. H. Barbee, and Rueben Herndon. The finance committee for 1910 was Hugh Green,

George Barbee, J. H. Barbee, L. A. Page, Sanders Burgess, J. C. Marcom, and Edward Lowe. W. T. Hall was elected treasurer. Theron O. Sorrell, church treasurer, made a report for 1909:

Sexton	\$ 5.50
To pastor for 1908	<u>18.00</u>
Total	23.50

Paid for expenses for 1909	
Paid Pastor	\$169.50
" Sexton	13.00
Sunday School Expenses	7.99
Minute Fund	2.50
Well Supplies	1.35
Wine	<u>1.00</u>
	195.34

Reverend J. B. Weatherspoon	
for Services in Protracted Meeting	\$ 20.00
To Framville Church	10.30
Orphanage	7.33
To H. M. Snow for Sunday School Work	<u>.80</u>
Total	38.43

Money on hand for church expenses	
for 1910	\$ 2.29
For Orphanage	3.05

Paid for Missions for 1909

Home Missions	\$ 1.66
By W. M. Society	15.78
Sunday School	<u>2.56</u>
	20.00

Foreign Missions	\$20.90
W. M. Society	31.70
By S. S.	<u>2.39</u>
	55.00

Orphanage	\$ 26.29
By S. S.	<u>3.70</u>
Total	30.00

Ministerial Education	\$ 6.00
Ministers' Relief	9.00
Associational Missions	25.00
To the poor	<u>11.00</u>
Total paid out for Missions for 1909	156.00

Paid out for 1910	
State Missions	\$ 4.05
By W. M. Society	<u>.85</u>
For Sunday School Total	4.90
For S. S. Supplies	1.00

At the conference for January, 1910, Mrs. B. A. Horton was received by letter from Wendell Baptist Church. Letters were granted Needham Shipp and Mr. J. L. Whitley and his wife and family of four children. S. P. Marcom offered his resignation as clerk of the church, which was received. Fabius H. Page was elected clerk. At the conference of March, 1910, Mary Thacker was granted a letter of dismissal. At the one of May, 1910, J. B. Maynard was granted a letter of dismissal. At the conference of June, 1910, delegates were appointed to attend a Laymen's Meeting in Durham. At the July conference James N. Page and Carlos Barbee were received by letter.

At the conference of September, 1910, Hugh Green, Edward Lowe, Theron O. Sorrell, and C. B. Green were appointed delegates to the Association. The church decided to send \$2.00, minute fund. Columbus Page was granted a letter of dismissal. At the conference of September, 1910, Cornelia Barbee was granted a letter of dismissal. Brother E. M. Lassiter was asked to serve the church as pastor for 1911.

At the conference of December, 1910, W. O. Stone and family were received by letters, Brother Stone as a deacon.

At the conference of January, 1911, the finance committee was appointed: I. S. Barbee, W. O. Stone, Sanders Burgess, George Barbee, J. R. Page, Hugh Green, and O. L.

Sorrell. A committee was appointed to look after the repair of windows. It consisted of E. R. Green and Q. L. Sorrell. The church elected officers for the Sunday School: Superintendent: F. H. Page; Leaders of Singing: C. Barbee and W. O. Stone; Organist: Annie Lee Walton.

At the conference of February, 1911, letters were granted David C. O'Briant, Henrietta O'Briant, and Eula O'Briant. A motion was passed allowing the treasurer to be paid for stamps and stationery used. At the conference of March, 1911, letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. Jno. W. M. Barbee. At the conference of May, 1911, Flossie Beasley was received for membership.

At the conference for June, 1911, letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Barbee, and Mrs. M. F. Shepherd.

At a conference called in August, 1911, six candidates for baptism were received: Bertha Sorrell, Florrie Beasley, Etta Marcom, Excell Marcom, Rob Stone, and Allie Beasley. Letters of dismission were granted Lonnie Barbee and T. L. Pendergrass, and Mrs. Pendergrass.

At the conference of August, 1911, letters of dismission were granted S. P. Marcom and family and Ella Cook.

At the conference of September, 1911, delegates were appointed to the Association: C. Barbee, I. S. Barbee, E. Walton, and W. O. Stone. A letter of dismission was granted Edward Lowe. L. C. Morris, Hugh Green, and Q. L. Sorrell were appointed a committee to look after the well.

At the conference of October, 1911, a letter of dismission was granted A. L. Barbee. E. M. Lassiter was elected pastor for 1912.

At the conference of November, 1911, letters of dismission were granted W. R. Lawrence, J. L. Hopson, and Mrs. J. L. Hopson, and G. P. Roberts and two daughters.

At the conference of December, 1911, W. T. Hall offered his resignation as treasurer, which was received. E. Walton was elected to succeed him as treasurer. W. T. Hall and wife were granted letters of dismission. So was W. B. Hopson.

At the conference of February, 1912, A. J. Burgess was appointed sexton, at a salary of \$18.00 a year. The



treasurer was advised to pay .50 for repairs on organ stool. On Sunday morning a finance committee was appointed. L. A. Page, J. R. Rich, James Barbee, A. J. Burgess, J. C. Marcom, and E. Walton.

At the conference of March, 1912, delegates to the Union Meeting at West Durham were appointed: Hugh Green, F. H. Green, Marvin Beasley, and L. C. Morris.

At the conference of April, 1912, W. T. Hall and wife and Mrs. W. M. Jones were received by letters. Ernest Green was appointed collector for finances for the following year. Miss Nannie E. Pigg was granted a letter of dismission. Officers for the Sunday School were elected: Superintendent: E. Walton; Organist: Annie Lee Walton; Infant Class Teacher: Nora Stone.

At the conference of May, 1912, the treasurer was ordered to pay \$1.65 for repairs on a step ladder. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barbee were granted letters of dismission. Mrs. W. O. Stone was elected Infant Class Teacher.

At the conference of June, 1912, E. R. Green, Marvin Beasley, Arthur Sorrell, and F. H. Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. Flonnie Beasley was granted a letter of dismission. At the conference of August, 1912, Lola Horton was granted a letter of dismission.

At the conference of September, 1912, Hugh Green, W. O. Stone, Willie Green, and L. C. Morris were appointed delegates to the Association, alternates: Q. L. Sorrell and A. J. Burgess. E. R. Green, I. S. Barbee, and Fab Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting at Yates. Reverend E. M. Lassiter tendered his resignation, to take effect in December.

At a called meeting in October, the church gave a call to Dr. Freeman to be pastor for 1913. I. S. Barbee and Hugh Green were to notify Dr. Freeman.

At the conference of November, 1912, letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stone. At the conference of December, 1912, a letter of dismission was granted Bertha Maynard.

At the conference of January, 1913, the committee on sexton reported that Brother Burgess would serve again at the same price. The treasurer made a report, which was

accepted. E. Walton offered his resignation as treasurer, which was accepted. Willie Green was appointed treasurer. F. H. Page offered his resignation as clerk and Harvey Barbee was appointed to succeed him. E. Walton was elected Sunday School Superintendent for 1913. Mrs. W. O. Stone was elected Infant Class Teacher.

#### Report of Treasurer for 1912

Received as church expenses and pastor's salary	\$254.38
Paid out               "               "	219.57

Recd. for Missions	116.04
Paid out for Missions	138.17

Total receipts to date	370.42
Total paid out   "   "	<u>357.94</u>
Balance in Treasury	12.48

This includes \$11.20 State Missions paid on pledges of 1913. E. Walton, Treasurer

At the conference of February, 1913, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Shipp were received by letter from the Morrisville Baptist Church. G. W. Barbee was appointed collector for church expenses. George Barbee was provided with a book alphabetically arranged.

At the conference of March, 1913, F. H. Page, Willie Green, Jimmie Page, and Marvin Beasley were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting to be held at Antioch. W. O. Stone, C. Barbee, Willie Green, and H. E. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Sunday School Convention to be held at Rose of Sharon Church, April 8 and 9.

At the conference of April, 1913, Columbus Page was received by letter from Good Hope Baptist Church. L. C. Morris was appointed delegate to the Sunday School Convention to be held at Rose of Sharon Church. It was decided to take a census of the church to see what percent of the church attend Sunday School. Willie Green, Fab Page, A. M. Sorrell, and H. E. Barbee were appointed to take the census.

At the conference of May, 1913, Bettie Edwards was received by letter from Morrisville Baptist Church. Nora Stone offered her resignation as organist, and Annie Lee Walton was elected organist. A collection was taken to secure song books. Ten dollars and fifty-three cents was collected, and W. O. Stone was appointed to solicit more money.

At the conference of June, 1913, W. O. Stone reported that he had bought seven books with music and two dozen without music, and had \$2.50 left. Collection was taken to buy a water bucket, .35 being collected. The census committee made their report, which was received.

At a called meeting Sunday, June 1, 1913, F. H. Page, Marvin Beasley, H. E. Barbee, and L. C. Morris were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. Florence Page, Minnie Page, Lida Page, and Lillian Sorrell were appointed teachers for the Sunday School. The conference of July, 1913, an address by G. T. Lumpkin on the Judson Centennial Fund was heard. W. O. Stone served as clerk. The church agreed to try to raise \$100.00 a year for the Judson Centennial Fund. Dr. Freeman continued to stress missions. He established more firmly the church library. At this meeting the clerk read a communication from the committee on building a church in Burlington to be called Hocutt Memorial. The deacons were requested to arrange for a canvass for contributions.

The church agreed to set a time for protracted services at the August meeting. (At the August meeting this time was set for September.)

The conference of August, 1913, appointed Arthur Sorrell, L. C. Morris, G. W. Barbee to the Union Meeting as delegates. Harvey E. Barbee offered his resignation as church clerk, which was accepted. L. C. Morris was elected clerk.

At the conference of September, 1913, Willie Green offered his resignation as treasurer. His resignation was accepted. Hugh Green was elected treasurer. I. S. Barbee, Hugh Green, F. H. Page, and James Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association. At the close of the protracted meeting 10 candidates for baptism were received: Rosa Page, Olive Green, Hubert Green, Herbert Green, Lettie

Green, Floy Green, Thelma Moore, Hazel Sorrell, Norma Jones, and Ivey Beasley.

At the conference of October, 1913, a collection was taken for Associational Missions. The treasurer was requested to send \$2.00 to the Association for the minute fund. Dr. Freeman was elected pastor for the time being.

At the conference of November, 1913, a motion was made and seconded that the pastor and the church would either give the other notice of three months before changing pastors. It was decided to invite the Sunday School Convention to meet at Cedar Fork Tuesday and Wednesday after the first Sunday in April. The clerk was appointed to take up a collection for Hocutt Memorial Church. The amount received was \$6.00. It was agreed to use the same method as hitherto in giving to missions. It was decided to appoint a committee of the deacons to get the cost of and plans for building Sunday School rooms, and report to the December meeting. At a called conference of Sunday morning, Nov. 2, Myrtice Ellis was granted a letter of dismission. At the meeting of December, 1913, the committee of deacons reported in reference to the cost of Sunday School rooms.

At the conference of January, 1914, E. R. Green was appointed sexton for 1914, at a salary of \$23.00. Letters of dismission were granted Mrs. A. M. Jones, Norma Jones, and J. R. Stone. The church adopted the same method of assessing as heretofore. C. Barbee and Florence Page were appointed a committee to take subscriptions for the Wake Forest Church. The amount received was \$3.35. E. R. Green was appointed Missions Collector for 1914. A nominating committee composed of E. Walton, Hugh Green, G. W. Barbee, and F. H. page was appointed to nominate teachers for the Sunday School classes. E. Walton was elected superintendent of the Sunday School of 1914. Annie Lee Walton was elected organist. Hubert L. Page was elected secretary and treasurer. Florence Page was elected teacher of the Beginners' Class; Mrs. W. O. Stone, Primary Class; Mrs. E. R. Green, Junior Girls; Minnie Page, Junior Boys; Lillian Sorrell, Intermediates; Annie Lee Walton, Philathea Class; Nora Stone, Baraca Class; W. O. Stone, Adult Class #7; C. Barbee, Adult Class #8.

At the conference of February, 1914, F. H. Page was elected Church Collector for 1914. He was also elected Church Treasurer for 1914. Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Shipp were granted letters of dismission. Hugh Green, Treasurer, made a report for 1913:

Receipts				
Amount received for expenses				\$111.44
Amount	"	"	Missions	97.75
"	"	"	Misc. Objects	<u>57.32</u>
Total Amount Received 1913				266.51
Disbursements				
Amount Paid out for Church Expenses				\$107.60
"	"	"	Missions	97.95
"	"	"	Other Objects	<u>57.32</u>
Total Amount Paid Out 1913				262.87
Balance in Treasury				3.64

At the conference of March, 1914, W. O. Stone, Marvin Beasley, James Page, and F. H. Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. At the meeting of April, 1914, Nettie Allen was granted a letter of dismission. L. A. Page, W. O. Stone, and M. L. Sorrell were appointed delegates to the Sunday School Convention.

At the conference of May, 1914, C. Barbee, W. O. Stone, and C. B. Green were appointed to take subscriptions for song books. L. C. Morris offered his resignation as church clerk, which was accepted. Exum Walton was appointed church clerk.

At the conference of June, 1914, the church agreed to pay \$30.00 to Associational Missions. It was decided that the Revival would begin the first Sunday in August. A letter of dismission was granted Mrs. J. F. Elliot. In August, 1914, Alma Burgess was received by letter. Arthur Sorrell, Marvin Beasley, and Fab Page were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. The meeting was protracted in August. At its close there was a conference, at which 11 were received for baptism. At the conference of September, 1914, it was decided that the church would construct a pool.

On Sunday morning the congregation met at the creek and the following candidates were baptized: Hickman Page, Wiley Page, Ralph O'Briant, William Pettigrew, Delos Rich, Eustace Burgess, Paul Walton, and Flora Beasley.

W. O. Stone, Q. L. Sorrell, and C. B. Green were appointed a committee to see about the construction of a pool. At the conference of October, 1914, Flonnie Beasley was received by letter. Hugh Green, I. S. Barbee, Jodie Shipp, and Arthur Sorrell were appointed delegates to the Association to be held at Yates Church; alternates: Ernest Green and Fab Page. In the conference called to read and accept the church letter, James Stone was received by letter.

In the conference of November, 1914, a letter of dismissal was granted T. O. Sorrell. Delegates to the Union Meeting were appointed. It was decided to purchase curtains to prepare classrooms.

At the conference of December, 1914, services were conducted by E. Walton. J. E. Walton offered his resignation as church clerk. James Stone was elected church clerk. W. O. Stone was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School. Annie Lee Walton offered her resignation as organist. Lilliam Sorrell was elected organist. C. Barbee was elected song leader. A letter of dismissal was granted Zula Pendergrass.

At the conference of January, 1915, Eunice Upchurch Sorrell was received by letter. E. R. Green was re-elected sexton. A. J. Burgess, J. R. Stone, and Bernard Green were elected delegates to the Union Meeting. The same finance committee continued to act for 1915. F. H. Page gave his report as treasurer. He offered his resignation as treasurer. His resignation was accepted, and A. M. Sorrell was elected treasurer. The Finance Committee was Hugh Green, James Barbee, Frank E. Page, W. D. Beasley, J. R. Rich, Q. L. Sorrell, and L. A. Page. At the conference of February, 1915, Mrs. G. F. Riggsbee and S. A. Maynard were granted letters of dismissal. Papers were signed asking the prohibition of sale or shipping liquor to North Carolina for beverage purposes.

At the conference of April, 1915, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stone were received by letter. A letter was granted J. T.



Green. A. M. Sorrell, C. L. Stone, E. Walton, and C. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Union Meeting. At the conference of May, 1915, a letter of dismission was granted Minnie Weathers. The Sunday School Secretary was authorized to purchase a record book.

At the conference of July, 1915, Annie Kerr was received by letter. Lillian Sorrell offered her resignation as organist. It was received. Annie Lee Page was elected organist.

The church held a protracted meeting beginning at the August meeting. Two made professions of faith and were received for baptism. The pastor appointed a building committee to build a pool and two dressing rooms at the end of the church. The committee consisted of Hugh Green, C. Barbee, M. L. Sorrell, Jodie Shipp, Bernard Green, L. A. Page, Q. L. Sorrell, J. R. Rich, W. O. Stone, W. D. Beasley, Luther C. Morris, and W. H. O'Briant.

At the conference of September, 1915, the pastor reported the pledges to the building fund amounted to \$434.00, also 1000 feet of lumber. C. Barbee, L. C. Morris, F. H. Page, and A. M. Sorrell were appointed delegates to the Mt. Zion Association. L. C. Morris was elected to serve as clerk.

At the conference of October, 1915, letters were granted Tullie Hall, Maggie Scott, Florence Williams, and John Jenkins.

At the conference of November, 1915, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Shipp were received by letter. It was voted to adopt a weekly plan for Missions. The pastor was appointed to get a supply of envelopes for Missions Collections.

At the conference of January, 1916, F. E. Green was secured as sexton for 1916, at a salary of \$29.50. The Finance Committee named at a called meeting consisted of C. Barbee, H. Green, L. C. Morris, James Barbee, Q. L. Sorrell, O. F. Beasley, and M. L. Sorrell.

At the conference of February, 1916, Elsie Green was received by letter from West Durham Baptist

Church. Annie Kerr was granted a letter of dismissal. A. M. Sorrell made his report as Treasurer for 1915:

Received of Collectors for Financial Expenses	\$210.15	
Paid out for 1914		<u>39.50</u>
		170.65
Paid Out for 1915		<u>169.59</u>
		1.06
Cash on Hand	\$ 8.50	
Received for Missions	120.20	

A. M. Sorrell offered his resignation as treasurer, which was accepted. W. O. Stone was elected treasurer for 1916. The chairman of the assessing committee made a report, with the figures left out, to be rectified on next first Saturday before being recorded. C. B. Green was recommended as Collector for 1916.

At the conference of March, 1916, Marvin Beasley offered his resignation as Sunday School Secretary, which was accepted. Olive Green was elected Secretary of the Sunday School. The Sunday School was reorganized. W. O. Stone was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School until September 1, 1916. The church passed a resolution to send a petition to the Senate and House of Representatives to prohibit the manufacture and sale of alcoholic spirits and whiskey.

A called conference on Sunday morning, March 8, 1916, granted permission to the school to repair the well and put a pump in the well. J. J. Jenkins was granted a letter of dismissal in place of one out of date.

At the meeting of April, 1916, W. H. Page, I. S. Barbee, H. Green, F. H. Page, and L. C. Morris were appointed delegates to the Sunday School Convention. A collection was taken up to help meet the expenses of the Convention.

At the meeting of May, 1916, Mallie Page and Sallie Carr were granted letters of dismissal. Letters of dismissal were also granted J. E. Walton.

and Maggie Harward.

At the conference of July, 1916, J. R. Stone was granted a letter of dismissal. Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Barbee were received by letter.

Brother Yates was helper in a Revival from fifth Sunday in July, 1916. During the meeting there were five candidates who presented themselves for membership, baptizing to follow: Ira Page, Robert Sorrell, Willie Moore, Eula Rich, and Mollie Green. W. H. Cooley and wife came under the watchcare of the church, pending reception of their letter. Officers of the Sunday School elected were W. O. Stone, Superintendent, F. H. Page, Assistant Superintendent; Olive Green, Secretary and Treasurer, and Estelle Beasley, Teacher of Infant Class. The treasurer was authorized to pay for having 100 letter forms printed, for \$2.00. I. S. Barbee, H. Green, W. H. Page, and C. L. Stone were appointed delegates to the Association. C. Barbee was appointed to get up subscriptions for books for Sunday School. At the conference of October, 1916, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cooley were received by letter. W. O. Stone reported as Treasurer:

Recd. for Missions by Church	\$91.35
" " " " W.M.S.	35.90
" " " " S. S.	<u>12.85</u>
Total	140.10
Recd. for Pastor's Salary and Expenses	\$131.75
Paid Pastor	\$ 94.75
" O. W. Yates	21.00
" for S. S. Supplies	8.05
" L. C. Morris: Letters	2.00
" Bal. to Sexton	1.90
" " " " for 1916	6.15
Postage	<u>.05</u>
	133.90

Paid Foreign Missions by Church	\$ 32.00
" " " " W.M.S.	15.00
Postage	.06
Paid Home Missions by Church	11.35
" " " " W.M.S.	9.80
Paid State Missions by Church	6.80
" " " " W.M.S.	14.90
Paid for Christian Education	9.90
Paid for Ministerial Relief	8.95
Paid for Orphanage	13.90
Paid Associational Missions	<u>22.44</u>
	145.00
F. M. Debt	7.50
State Missions by S. S.	4.00
Bal. on Associational Missions	7.56
Bal. to Orphanage	<u>14.30</u>
	21.86

At the conference of November, 1916, A. M. Sorrell, C. L. Stone, and N. R. Shipp were elected deacons and were ordained on Sunday. The church set off the Southwest corner of Church Property to be used as a church cemetery. The lines running parallel with the west end of the church and to the line of Hugh Green, extending as deep west as Church Property reaches, or to the Southern Railroad line. A committee of C. B. Green, W. H. O'Briant, and L. C. Morris was appointed to look after the lots for those wishing to use them.

At the conference of December, 1916, W. S. Page, Mrs. Ada Page, Inez Page, and Irwin Page were received by letter.

At the conference of January, 1917, Lula Hopson was received by letter. F. E. Green was secured as sexton at the same salary, for 1917. F. E. Green and W. O. Stone were granted permission to draw on the treasurer for \$4.93 for church repairs and labor. A committee appointed to get stoves for Sunday School

rooms or use old stoves for Sunday School rooms and get new ones for the main room, consisted of C. B. Green, F. E. Green, and C. L. Stone. They were to call on the treasurer to pay for the same. Finance Committee for 1917 was appointed: Hugh Green, F. H. Page, A. M. Sorrell, F. E. Page, James Barbee, N. R. Shipp, L. C. Morris, J. R. Rich, and W. D. Beasley.

At the conference of February, 1917, letters of dismission were granted Mary George, Della Morris, and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Barbee.

C. B. Green was elected collector for 1917. At the conference of April, 1917, the sexton was authorized to buy drinking cups for the use of the church and draw on the treasurer for the payment for them. At the May conference F. E. Page was granted a letter of dismission. At the June, 1917, conference E. Walton and family and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wilkinson were received by letter.

At the July, 1917, conference it was decided to have the protracted meeting beginning the first Sunday in August. Bessie Green was elected Primary Teacher in Sunday School. It was decided to send a petition to the Senate prohibiting the use of any feed stuff for the making of alcoholic spirits during the time of war.

At the conference of September, 1917, W. O. Stone, N. R. Shipp, James Barbee, F. H. Page, and I. S. Barbee were appointed delegates to the Association. There was a motion to increase the minute fund 25%.

It was decided to have the protracted meeting begin the fifth Sunday in September. After the Revival the following were received for baptism, to be followed by membership: Louise Green, Jessie May Sorrell, Dovie Green, Maggie O'Neal, Alma Beasley, Gale Beasley, and Herbert Moore.

At the conference of November, 1917, W. O. Stone was elected Sunday School Superintendent, and E. Walton, Assistant Superintendent. Mrs. W. D. Beasley and Mrs. W. O. Stone were elected Primary and Intermediate Teachers for 1918. N. R. Shipp was appointed a committee to get subscriptions to the Recorder and

push interest in getting more to subscribe. There was a motion to increase Missions 10% over 1917, also gifts to the Orphanage. Mrs. Charles Hopson was granted a letter of dismission.

At the conference of December, 1917, a committee was appointed to repair the stove flues: J. H. Shipp, L. C. Morris, and F. E. Green. Finance Committee for 1918 was Hugh Green, F. H. Page, W. L. Page, O. F. Beasley, James Barbee, C. L. Stone, Q. L. Sorrell, and J. C. Barbee. The church increased the pastor's salary 25%, totaling \$200.00 a year. There was a Thanksgiving offering taken up on Sunday morning amounting to \$34.50 for the Orphanage at Thomasville.

At the conference of January, 1918, F. E. Green was secured as sexton for 1918 at a salary of \$32.50.

At the conference of March, 1918, the committee on stoves had the report, which was adopted. The stove flues were to be rebuilt and the house insured. The committee to see to that was Q. L. Sorrell, O. F. Beasley, and C. B. Green. The collector reported Pastor's salary and church expenses:

Pastor's salary and Church Expenses	\$272.25
Paid Treasurer	<u>269.10</u>
Balance	3.15

At the conference of April, 1918, a letter was granted Fern Lashley. At the conference of May, 1918, a letter of dismission was granted Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Green.

At the conference of June, 1918, Mrs. J. W. Fowler was received by letter. Delegates appointed to the Meeting at Lowe's Grove were Hubert Page, C. Barbee, C. B. Green, Q. L. Sorrell, and N. R. Shipp.

At the conference of September, 1918, a letter of dismission was granted Bunnie Harward. The protracted meeting was set for the beginning after the fifth Sunday in September.



## 1919-1952

This period in the history of Cedar Fork Church begins with church conference on first Sunday in November, 1919. Dr. L. E. M. Freeman was pastor, and W. H. Page, clerk, pro tem.

A committee, C. B. Green, Q. L. Sorrell, and O. F. Beasley, was appointed to have the well fixed, a curb put around it, the pump done away with, and a chain and bucket purchased. Luther Morris was clerk at this time, and W. O. Stone, treasurer. Luther Morris resigned, and H. M. O'Neal was elected.

In September, 1920, the church voted to buy its first piano. A reed organ had been used before this. In June of 1921 the first piano was paid for. This piano was purchased from Dr. L. E. M. Freeman for the price of \$25.00, and is still in use at the church. A blackboard was purchased at the cost of \$4.05. In February, 1921, the first fire insurance was taken out on the building for the period of three years, cost \$53.75. It was also in 1921 that a committee was appointed to see about a pool for baptizing. The old church carpet was sold to C. B. Green for \$3.10. In the beginning of this period the janitor was paid the sum of \$40.00 a year. He had to furnish the wood and keep the fire on days of meeting and clean the church, but in 1921 the janitor's salary was raised to five dollars per month.

At the church conference in January, 1922, the following committee was appointed to get up a church covenant: I. S. Barbee, F. H. Page, and H. M. O'Neal. In February of 1922 this committee brought a New Covenant to the church. It was rejected, and the original Covenant was kept.

The church building, then a frame building, stood on the lot across the present highway, where the Nelson Home Demonstration Clubhouse now stands. The highway was called N. C. 10 Highway. It had just been completed. A committee was appointed to ask the Highway Commission to fix up the church yard and repair

damages to the yard.

In June of 1922 a Mrs. Jones donated \$25.00 to be used to buy books for the church library. A. M. Sorrell gave the lumber with which to build a book-case. Mrs. E. Walton, Miss Nellie Page, and Mrs. C. B. Green and Mrs. Jennie Barbee were appointed a committee to select some books. H. M. O'Neal resigned as clerk, and J. E. Walton was elected in his place.

About this time the Million-Dollar Campaign came into being. Arthur Sorrell was elected publicity chairman. A check for \$972.16 was sent to Walters Durham, State Treasurer, for the Campaign.

In December, 1922, Dr. Freeman resigned as pastor. A Pulpit committee composed of E. Walton, F. H. Page, and C. B. Green was appointed.

On the third Sunday in January, 1923, the church in conference called Reverend B. G. Early as pastor, at a salary of \$400.00 per year.

March, 1923, the church made a contribution to M. Columbus Page and his son, who had lost their home by fire.

During these years of our church history members were dealt with for using profanity, drunkenness, absenteeism, and not paying their annual dues for upkeep of the church, pastor's salary, etc.

The baptistry (a pool outside the church building) had been constructed and money raised to pay for it, and some money was left over. This was used to paint the Primary Sunday School Room.

In October of 1923 Reverend B. G. Early was called to serve as pastor for the year 1924. He declined the offer, and Cedar Fork appointed a new pulpit committee of J. W. Chandler, E. Walton, and Q. L. Sorrell. They secured the services of Dr. L. E. M. Freeman, his salary to be \$500.00. He accepted the call to be pastor for 1924. The church at that time had established the pattern of calling the pastor every year, whether he had offered his resignation or not.

In the spring of 1925 an accident occurred in front of the church building. As the members were

going home from the service, a car driven by someone on the highway struck a car driven by C. B. Green and family. No serious damage resulted, but the deacons and the church members met in a conference to consider moving the church building on account of its being so near the highway and the danger to people entering and leaving the church grounds.

The decision was made to move the church, but there was not church land available; so the church purchased the land on which the church now stands from the Durham County Board of Education. This land was at one time owned by Q. L. Sorrell, but was purchased from him by the County Board of Education; on a part of this tract was located Nelson Elementary School. This school building was a two-story structure, and was built just beyond the present Wachovia Bank Building in Nelson. A part of this tract was bought by Robert L. Stone at the death of Q. L. Sorrell, and was sold back to the church by his widow, Mary Sorrell Stone. The present Educational Building and parking lot are located on this land.

In the fall of 1925, the church voted to move the church across the highway, but the cost of moving was to be secured before moving began. A Colored man by the name of Jesse Harris, of Shiloh Baptist Church, was engaged to move the church. He used a large gray mule owned by Hugh Green to pull the cable that drew the church across the road. The building had been placed on round poles, and the mule pulled the cable. The building rolled very slowly a few feet at a time. The cost of moving the building was \$354.36.

While the church was on temporary structure, one of the most beloved members, Mrs. Lenna Dupree Walton, was called to her reward. Her funeral was held in the building while it was on wooden supports. Temporary steps had to be erected for this occasion.

J. E. Walton resigned as clerk, and Floyd E. Green was elected as clerk in November, 1925.

The budget for 1926 was \$1200.00; \$700.00 for local expenses, and \$500.00 for Missions. At the

beginning of 1926 the budget system was adopted and members began using church envelopes; also they began calling the roll twice a year instead of each month. The committee on song books reported. They purchased fifty copies of "The Modern Hymnal" for \$32.50. At this time the church elected two people as treasurers; one for Missions and one for Local Expenses of the church.

In 1928 the time of conference was changed from monthly to quarterly.

At the March conference in 1928 the church decided on a rotating system of deacons. The first Sunday in April nine deacons were to be selected. The three having the highest number of votes would be elected for three years, the next three receiving the next highest number of votes, to serve two years, and the three receiving the next highest number of votes to serve one year. A motion was passed that no deacon could be re-elected in one year's time. First deacons to serve under this new system were: Three years: C. L. Stone, H. H. Green, E. D. Upchurch; Two years: Hugh Green, H. M. O'Neal, N. R. Shipp; One year: Julius House, C. P. Wilkinson, E. Walton.

During the month of October, 1928, the conference voted to have lights installed in the auditorium, and a donation was given for the erection of a monument to Matthew T. Yates, a Missionary, at Mt. Pisgah Church in Wake County. At this time the church began to use the duplex envelope system.

In April, 1930, six new deacons were elected. This was the first time in the history of Cedar Fork Church and Mt. Zion Association that the church and Association saw fit to elect women as deacons. The committee could not find six men to serve as deacons; so three women were ordained: Three years: Floyd Green, Mrs. Jodie Shipp, Mrs. H. H. Green; Two years: Verne Walton, Mrs. F. H. Page, Miss Flora Beasley (now Mrs. E. A. King). The pastor, Dr. L. E. M. Freeman, offered his resignation on Jan. 13, 1929, to take effect April 1, 1929. This was accepted. Dr. Freeman, a faithful servant of God, had served as pastor for

about 21 years. Many improvements and changes took place during his years of leadership. His scholarship was outstanding. Cedar Fork considered itself fortunate to get him as he was teaching Bible at Meredith College, close by.

The deacons were asked to serve as a pulpit committee. A call was extended to T. Rupert Coleman, a minister and student from Durham, to preach on the first Sunday of each month for nine months, salary \$200.00. Mr. Coleman accepted the call in April, 1929.

In May of this year the women of the W.M.U. offered their services during the summer months as janitor, the money thus saved to be applied to a new roof.

In October of 1929 a galvanized tin roof was put on the church. During the fall of this year a Sunday School Enlargement Campaign was put on by Reverend Ernest Calb (now deceased), and on Sunday morning after the campaign the attendance was 165. This was a red letter day for Cedar Fork.

With the beginning of the year 1930, the treasury was empty; so each church member was asked to contribute one dollar to the treasury, in order to get some funds on hand.

Mr. Coleman, a young man and a teacher in the city schools of Durham, gave much interest to young people and encouraged the development of the Training Union.

About this time the Nelson Home Demonstration Club (now Home Economics Club) had outgrown the homes of ladies in the community. A committee was appointed from the club to request the use of land across the road in front of the church, upon which to build a meeting house for the club women.

After much discussion, the first Sunday in April, 1931, the church gave permission to the women to erect a clubhouse on the land across Highway 10, the exact spot from which the church building had been removed a few years before. The following restrictions were placed upon the use of the building, since it was on church property:

1. No dancing
2. No card playing
3. Nothing of an immoral nature could be held there. If this was done, the church would recall the property.

September 23, 1931, during a late afternoon thunder shower, the church was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The heroic men of the community went to the church and saved the pews and piano. Until this time the church had had a large bell in the belfry, which was rung every Sunday morning before the time for church services, reminding the community of the time to go to the house of God for worship. This bell fell to the ground and was broken into small pieces. The Sunday after the fire people met as usual at the site of the burned building. Sunday School services were held there in cars and under trees. A short conference was held there, and E. Walton offered the use of an empty store building located near his house. (Exum Walton owns the property now, 1970). This could be used as a meeting place. The offer was accepted. The conference decided to build a new church as soon as possible.

In spite of this disaster, the work of the Lord progressed. By November, 1931, the committee composed of Jodie Shipp, Hugh Green, C. L. Stone presented a church plan. It was to be a T-shaped building made of brick veneer, to contain an auditorium and four Sunday School rooms.

This committee was appointed to canvass the members for contributions to the building funds, since the insurance on the old building was only \$2500.00: Clara Sorrell, Mrs. Jodie Shipp, H. H. Green, Mrs. C. B. Green, Mrs. G. W. Carr, John Sorrell, N. R. Shipp, Lorine Searls, C. L. Stone, and William Beasley.

The plan was accepted by the church, and a building committee composed of Jodie H. Shipp, F. H. Page, C. L. Stone, Hugh Green, E. Walton, C. P. Wilkinson, N. R. Shipp, G. W. Carr, Q. L. Sorrell, Mrs. Hubert



Green, and Miss Flora Beasley began work. After all plans and arrangements were made and accepted, the following were asked to serve on a building committee during the entire time of construction: Jodie H. Shipp, Hugh Green, and C. L. Stone. Mr. Stone was asked to serve as treasurer of the building fund.

Consolidated Construction Company of Durham was selected to build the church. C. H. Shipp was the contractor. He was a native of the Nelson community. Work was to begin on the new structure immediately. At the January conference of 1932, the building committee reported that the entire cost of building was \$4805.00; insurance collected; \$2500.00; money from pledges: \$977.00; amounting to \$3417.00, leaving a balance of \$608.00, indebtedness. The building treasury was empty, and the church needed more funds to complete payment on the building.

The members rallied to the cause. The ladies accepted the janitor's duties. Some families volunteered to care for the church one month at a time. Mrs. Florence Page Williams donated a number of devotional books that had been prepared by her husband, J. A. Williams, to be sold, proceeds to go to the building fund. Junior boys trapped rabbits and sold them. Plays were given nearby in school auditoriums, suppers were given, and finally, after much effort and sacrifice on the part of many members, here in the heart of the Great Depression years, the building was paid for. During the early months of 1932 the new building was completed and services were held in it.

In June of 1932 the church planned its first Homecoming. All of the former members and friends were invited back. Delos W. Sorrell, a native of the Nelson Community, among first persons of the Nelson Community to receive a college degree, eminent lawyer of Durham, was asked to make the address of the morning. He gave a very helpful message on "Under the Juniper Tree, Rest Awhile." Dinner was served on the grounds, and many nearby churches brought contributions.

Our pastor, Rupert Coleman, asked for a leave of absence for one year, so that he might enter the Seminary at Louisville, Ky. This request was granted, and Mr. Coleman left on June 15, 1932.

A call from the church was extended to Reverend Paul M. Baisch, Louisville, Ky. He accepted and came July 1, 1932.

March, 1933, Reverend Paul M. Baisch resigned. A pulpit committee was appointed and, after much consideration, the committee recommended Reverend Clarence E. Baker, who was then half-time pastor at Olive Branch Baptist Church. The salary was \$250.00 a year. Mr. Baker accepted the call.

The church voted to send a donation to a monument erected at the grave of Reverend W. S. Olive, a former pastor at Cedar Fork. He is buried at Olive's Chapel Church, in Wake County.

The church building was dedicated third Sunday in February, 1934. In 1934 the church allowed its bookcase to be sent to the Community House, to be used by Durham Public Library to distribute books for the whole community.

In October, 1934, Mr. Baker introduced study courses in the church, and the church went to half-time services. A yearly election of Sunday School officers was proposed. A donation was sent to Bunn Olive, a Missionary in China. C. J. Hulin, of Durham Marble Works, donated a corner stone for the sanctuary.

In 1935 Mr. Bertha Shipp was elected church clerk.

In 1936 the church pledged \$150.00 to the Co-operative Program. As the church was growing a great need was seen for more Sunday School rooms.

In August, 1937, conference Mr. Hubert Green made a motion that the church should attempt to build some Sunday School rooms. T. O. Sorrell seconded the motion. A planning committee was appointed: T. O. Sorrell, Hugh Green, Fred Barbee, C. C. May, and Jodie Shipp.

Russell Barbee was licensed to preach fourth Sunday night in September, 1939.

Reverend C. E. Baker offered his resignation as pastor to take effect November 1, 1938. C. L. Stone, chairman of the pulpit committee, recommended that the church should call Reverend N. A. Catlett, from Cape Charles, Va., to be the pastor, salary to be \$550.00 per year, and his services to begin February 12, 1939.

The first Daily Vacation Bible School was held, beginning July 10, 1939. Bertha Shipp was principal. The school was conducted by Miss Ruby Williams, from Buies Creek. In a called conference Second Sunday in November, 1939, the following recommendations from the Board of Deacons were read to the church:

1. Plans now on hand be used for new Sunday School rooms. This plan consisted of five Sunday School rooms to be added and attached to the back of the brick building.
2. The cost was not to exceed \$2000.00, and \$1000.00 of this amount was to be raised before the building was started.
3. Mrs. Lewis Colclough was to be made Treasurer of the Building Fund.
4. The second Sunday in each month was to be set aside as Building Fund Sunday.

Mr. C. H. Shipp, of Consolidated Construction Company, offered to build the Sunday School rooms for \$2400.00, quoting that building costs had risen since the construction of the sanctuary. This offer was rejected by the church.

A motion was made to contact four contractors and get competitive bids on the building. S. L. Green's bid was \$2265.00, and the church voted to give him the contract.

In April, 1940, a celebration was planned to open the new Sunday School rooms.

In July of 1941 the church adopted the 6-point Record System for the Sunday School. At the completion

of the Sunday School rooms the Intermediate, Junior, Primary, and Beginners Departments began holding opening exercises on Sunday morning in their own Sunday School rooms instead of with the Adults.

May, 1942, the woodwork on the outside of the church was painted, and balance left over from the Sunday School rooms was used for this purpose.

Sometime during this period one Sunday in November was set aside as Orphanage Sunday, when a collection was taken for Mills Home, at Thomasville, N. C. In April of 1944 the prayer services were held in the homes preceding the services of the Revival.

December, 1945, N. A. Catlett offered his resignation as pastor, to take effect March 1, 1946. Mrs. Mildred Beasley was elected clerk.

April, 1946, the church felt the need of a new heating system. Prior to this time the building had been heated by stoves in which wood was burned. Funds for the heating plant were to be secured before the heating plant was purchased.

Mr. H. L. Page was elected clerk. The pulpit committee recommended Reverend Robert Holt as pastor, salary \$800.00 a year. He was a student at Wake Forest College. He accepted the call. He was then a student at Duke University attending on a fellowship. Robert L. Holt and wife Claire were received by letter from the Norlina Baptist Church. The church keeper's salary was raised from \$60.00 to \$100.00 a year. A drive was put on to raise funds for a heating plant. Bell Heating Company was consulted about installing a heating plant. This did not work out; so the contract was canceled and a contract let to Butane Gas Company for \$1209.00. In 1948 the pastor's salary was raised to \$1000.00 a year.

About this time the movement was on to move Wake Forest College from the town of Wake Forest to Winston Salem, N. C. The church was called upon for contribution to aid in this cause; so the conference voted to pledge \$500.00 for this, to be paid over a period of five years.

August 22, 1948, the new Yates Association had been formed. Cedar Fork requested a letter from the Mt. Zion Association, in order to unite with the Yates Association.

The young people, feeling the need for recreational facilities, requested a playground for a tennis court. This was granted, and a court was constructed behind the clubhouse. The first movie projector was purchased by the Young Men's Class taught by Lewis Colclough.

During a conference in June, 1950, the pastor's salary was raised to \$3000.00 per year. R. L. Holt resigned as pastor, and a committee was appointed to secure a pastor. Conference voted to pay a supply pastor \$25.00 per Sunday unless he had to drive over 50 miles a trip. If he did have to drive that far, the supply pastor's gas bill would be paid also.

It was during the pastorate of R. L. Holt that the idea was advanced that the church needed a pastorium, in order that the pastor could live on the field. The pulpit committee recommended Reverend Weldon E. Johnson (then a student at Duke University) for pastor at a salary of \$2000.00, to hold a morning service every Sunday morning. Mr. Johnson declined the offer, and Reverend Trela D. Collins was called as pastor for the interim of six months. Reverend Mr. Collins worked very hard for the establishment of a church home here at Cedar Fork. In January conference of 1951 the church voted to adopt a plan for the pastorium. A committee appointed was H. H. Green, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Colclough, Mrs. H. L. Page, and C. L. Stone.

At the end of Reverend Mr. Collins' six months, another call was extended to E. Weldon Johnson, salary \$2600.00. This he accepted and began his service as pastor January 1, 1951.

The first step towards the pastorium was to secure enough land to build it on. Owing to the generosity of the two brothers, H. H. Green and C. B. Green, they donated the land. Soliciting funds began. Plans

for the pastorium called for a 6-room brick veneer building at an estimated cost of \$8000.00. The church members did much of the work themselves.

The Johnsons were living in an apartment in Durham at this time. As soon as the pastorium was completed, the Johnson family moved in January 1951; thus the E. Weldon Johnsons were the first to live in the new pastorium. In May of 1951 Mr. Johnson suggested the need for trustees to be added to the church official board, and the following were selected by the church: C. L. Stone, J. L. Colclough, H. H. Green, and Bertha Shipp. Before this time the hours for Sunday School had been to open at 10:15 and for church, 11:15. These hours were now changed from 10:15 to 10:00 for opening Sunday School and from 11:15 to 11:00 for beginning church services.

A resolution in memory of Fred C. Lloyd, one of our most faithful Sunday School Superintendents, who was called to his reward in the spring of 1951, was adopted by the church.

By November of 1951 there was an increase in attendance, and the need for a parking lot was felt. A parking lot was made and the church grounds improved.

During E. Weldon Johnson's pastorate he organized Cedar Fork's first choir, with six members, but as the choir grew in numbers, the need for a choir loft was observed. Some of the members volunteered to build one behind the pulpit. The estimated cost of material was \$127.00.

April 17, 1952, E. Weldon Johnson offered his resignation as pastor, to take effect July 1, 1952. The finance committee was put on a rotating basis during the year.

The pulpit committee recommended Reverend Gerald Naylor, a member of Forest Hills Baptist Church, in Raleigh, as the next pastor of Cedar Fork Church. The church extended a call, salary \$2600.00 a year. This was accepted, and Reverend Mr. Naylor became the next pastor in September of 1952.



Annual Building Fund Sunday was set to be first Sunday in May and first Sunday in November each year.

There was need for church sign to be constructed outside the building. Emerson Page and his Sunday School class offered to construct such a sign. With Reverend Mr. Naylor a program of recreation for the young people was begun. A recreation field was located behind the Nelson Homemakers' Clubhouse, and the volley ball, horseshoes, and one movie a week were sponsored by the church. Hatracks and coat hangers were placed in the vestibule in 1952. A system of visitation was begun, as was a class for new converts taught by the pastor in 1953. Mr. Naylor was himself an ardent visitor, visited every home in a 5-mile radius and invited people to church.

In December of 1953 the note on the parsonage was paid off and the note burned. H. L. Page was clerk. In 1953 the building and grounds committee was authorized to provide an adequate water supply for the parsonage.

The method of electing deacons was changed in 1954. The secret ballot for selecting deacons went into effect. The two men receiving the highest number of votes and the one woman receiving the highest number of votes were to be elected each year, in order to keep a ratio of six men and three women on the board at one time. No person can serve on the board for more than three years. A deacon cannot be elected to succeed himself. Lights for the parking lot in front of the church were installed. About this time J. L. Colclough, H. H. Green, and M. C. Walton were appointed permanently to be in charge of the cemetery lots and graves and the upkeep of the cemetery.

In August of 1954 a motion was made that Cedar Fork have a Homecoming service in September. This motion was carried and a committee was appointed to arrange for the Homecoming. This event was very profitable and enjoyable. The Hall-Wynne Funeral Home lent chairs and tents for the church.

The church voted to join the Pastors' Retirement Plan, the church assuming 4% of the pastor's salary,

to pay on retirement.

In October of 1954 Extension and Cradle Roll Departments began to function, and a red carnation presented to parents of every new baby became the custom, which is still observed.

February, 1955, a proposal to erect an educational building behind the sanctuary for the advancement of our Sunday School and church work was made. The cost was to be approximately \$25,000.00. The vote was so light that the matter was referred to a building committee. In March of 1955 a new well was dug near the church.

In April a motion was made that the church should raise the sum of \$10,000.00 for the building fund. This was passed. May 1, 1955, the pastor, Reverend Gerald Naylor, offered his resignation as pastor, having been called to a Baptist church at Cooleme, N. C. His resignation was to take effect May 29, 1955. This was accepted, and a pulpit committee was appointed to secure a pastor. Time for election of deacons was set permanently as second Sunday in September. July 10, 1955, the church voted to extend a call to Reverend Alex L. Booth, then educational director at Greystone Baptist Church, of Durham. He was to preach at 11 a.m. Sunday morning and help with the Training Union on Sunday night. His salary was to be \$2800.00 a year. Mr. Booth accepted the call, and he and his family were received by letter from Greystone Baptist Church.

In October, 1955, Mr. Booth had located a baby grand piano which could be purchased for \$550.00. The church voted to pay for the piano, and a date was set for a special collection to pay for the piano. At this time it was decided that the church would assume all responsibility for purchasing all study course books used in church study courses. December of 1955 started the custom of singing Christmas carols by young people to shutins of our community. This custom has been kept up. In a church conference in May of 1956 the church voted to assume all responsibility for fuel oil used at the parsonage.

In June 1956, a committee was appointed to survey the needs of the church as to additional buildings and improvement and bring such to report to the church within 30 days.

In September of 1956 the pastor's salary was raised to \$3000.00. In January, 1957, the church bought a movie projector for use in showing films to church groups. Because of the inadequacy of the church for Sunday School classes, some of the classes were moved to Nelson Home Demonstration Clubhouse across the road in front of the church. It was recommended by the committee and the deacons at this time that the first floor of an educational building should be constructed, and the church appointed a committee for this purpose, also a finance committee to locate funds with which to begin the construction.

The church accepted the plan of the new building, which consisted of two nurseries, one large beginners' room, one large primary room, a kitchen, a large assembly room, also a breezeway connecting the new building with the old one.

The lowest bidder on the project was L. A. Downey and Son. The sum was \$25,448.00. The church trustees and chairman of the building fund were asked to sign the contract. During the same month the church gave authority to the trustees to borrow \$1700.00 for the completion of the new building. The committee was composed of C. L. Stone, J. L. Colclough, H. H. Green, W. R. Beasley, and Bertha P. Shipp.

Night services began with the completion of the new building. At some time during this period, probably the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the church, a huge cake with 150 candles was placed in the sanctuary. If the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary, the date would be 1955.

In October, 1957, R. L. Stone, Sr., whose land adjoined the church property, offered the church a parcel of land provided that the church would have the property graded and excess soil placed on another part of the Stone property. The church accepted the

offer provided that the cost of grading and moving the dirt did not exceed \$700.00.

About this time the Research Triangle was being formulated. This is a huge tract of land lying beyond the Southern Railroad from the church, and its boundary lines touch some of the church property. Mr. R. P. Goss was appointed by the church to be its representative to the Research Triangle.

December 8, 1957, Reverend R. L. Holt, a former pastor, was the main speaker for the dedication of the new educational building. Forty new folding chairs were purchased for use in the new building.

The time of the Training Union was set for 6:30 from October 1 to April 1 and 7:30 from April 1 to October 1. The night preaching service was set for 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. respectively.

The pastor, Alex Booth, felt the need for a church constitution and appointed J. L. Colclough, Mrs. H. H. Green, and Mrs. Bertha Shipp to help him write this article.

Before this time the church did not have a pastor's study. The church appointed a committee to make alterations in one of the old Sunday School classrooms to be used as an office and study for the pastor. This was done, and the room has served effectively for all pastors since Mr. Booth's term here.

A request came from the Yates Missionary Union that the church help out with the religious services on Sunday afternoon at Murdoch Center, Butner, N. C. This request was granted, and on certain Sunday afternoons the people of Cedar Fork Church hold religious services and entertainments for the patients at Butner. Yates Association now has this in charge.

A committee was appointed to have charge of the kitchen in the new building. Mrs. Eula Shipp, Mrs. Mildred Beasley, and Mrs. Bessie Green composed the first Kitchen Committee. Nearly all the kitchen furnishings were donated by the church members. The stove and refrigerator were given by Reverend and Mrs. Alex Booth; the sink, by Desmond and Margaret

Downey; silverware, by the Light Bearers Sunday School Class, and by Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Goss. Mrs. Goss also gave salt and pepper shakers and cream and sugar dishes. Mrs. Azaline Colclough gave curtains and drapes in the new Sunday School rooms. The drink box was donated by Norwood Young. The punch bowl and cups were given by the Light Bearers Class. The plates were donated by Cedar Fork Woman's Missionary Society and the coffee urn by Nelson Home Demonstration Club. A set of dishes was given by Marilyn Baumeister. Permission was given by the deacons for use of the new educational building for social activities, such as wedding receptions, Training Union socials, Sunday School class parties and suppers. Anyone not affiliated with the church was obligated to get permission for use of the building from the deacons.

November, 1958, the church purchased 50 new Broadman Church Hymnals.

Reverend Alex Booth offered his resignation as pastor in October, 1959, to take effect October 26. This was accepted, and night service at the church was discontinued. Reverend J. Carlton Duke, a student at Southeastern Seminary, was contacted. He was called and accepted November 8, 1959.

At this time the roof of the old Sunday School Building was painted and storm doors and screens were added to the parsonage. A new kitchen floor was laid at the parsonage. An outside light was installed near the Educational Building. With the coming of Mr. Duke evening services were started again.

In August, 1960, the Beginners' Classroom was furnished with table, chairs, coat racks, a bulletin board, and a record player. The Primary Classroom was furnished with chairs, table, and a bulletin board. The Nursery was fitted with a clock, window screens, and chairs.

At this time special emphasis was placed upon the Junior-aged pupils in our Sunday School. Junior Week was observed with a banquet furnished by the ladies of the church. Juniors were participating in all

phases of church work. The observation of Youth Week was begun. It was observed each spring, the young people having charge of Sunday School, prayer meeting, and church services for one week.

Before this time a large Christman tree was placed in the sanctuary each Christmas, and the church provided a treat for everyone attending the Christmas service, as well as others not able to attend. The tree was discontinued in 1960, to be used again in 1969.

In 1961 it was established that all elected officers should be members of a Protestant church in good faith and order and should subscribe to the Constitution of Cedar Fork Baptist Church. One person should not hold the same office for more than three years in succession except pianist and chorister.

In April of 1961 a breezeway was built to the parsonage. W. C. Colclough offered to keep the deed to the church and parsonage in his safety deposit box. He was given the church property deed to keep in a safe place. This was in September of 1961. At this time the church appointed a committee composed of the Church Council to study the church constitution to see if it needed to be revised.

In the spring of 1962 a water fountain was installed in the hall of the Educational Building. Before this all drinking water had to be brought for use at Daily Vacation Bible School. A committee was appointed in June, 1962, to take up the matter of a baptistry with L. L. Morgan, church architect from Raleigh, N. C. New screens were put on the Educational Building. Mrs. Annie Ruth Duke presented the idea for choir robes for the choir. The church voted for the robes. Mrs. Duke ordered the robes at a cost of \$225.00.

In September, 1962, the church voted to discontinue the gas heating system for the sanctuary and put in a central heating system using hot air. Mr. M. M. Fowler gave the church a 1000-gallon storage tank for oil storage.



In May, 1963, Reverend J. Carlton Duke offered his resignation as pastor, for he felt the call to become a foreign missionary. This was to take effect August 1, 1963, in order that Mr. Duke and Mrs. Duke could receive training for their new work at Georgetown University, in Washington, D. C.

Reverend Larry Painter was called as interim pastor to begin work in August at a salary of \$50.00 a week for one service a Sunday only.

A motion was made and carried that the church adopt the quarter per quarter plan to help develop the Yates Association Assembly Grounds.

Mr. C. L. Stone was asked to contact Mrs. R. L. Stone in regard to purchasing some more of her land adjoining church property, as news was being circulated about a new highway's coming through the church property and taking the parking area in front of the church. A call was extended to Reverend Charles W. Thompson, a ministerial student at Northeastern Seminary, to become pastor at a salary of \$3600.00. He accepted the call and preached his first sermon at Cedar Fork January 12, 1964. Mr. Thompson had not been ordained; so Cedar Fork conferred with his home church at Ahoskie, and an ordination service for Mr. Thompson was held there March 11, 1964.

The church constitution was revised and a copy given to each church member. The Adult Men's Sunday School Class #2 constructed a cement wall from the front of the church to the Educational Building.

July 1964, the following recommendations from the board of deacons were accepted by the church:

1. Church redecorate the sanctuary by painting, purchasing new pews
2. Construct a baptistry and purchase a carpet for pulpit and aisles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stone donated some new pulpit furniture consisting of a table and two chairs.

September 20, 1964, a contract was let to the Pickard Roofing Company to cover the church. April 4, 1965, Warren and Ruth Harris expressed their desire to donate a beautiful electric organ to the church in memory of their young son Bobby Harris, who lost his life in an accident. This offer was accepted by the church, with sincere appreciation.

July 18, 1965, the first baptismal service was held in the new baptistry. The first candidates were Nancy Merritt, Sue Searls, Marie Searls, Cathy Green, Pat Searls, Carolyn Ward, and Raymond Proctor.

September, 1965, the pastor, Reverend Charles Thompson, suggested that the church should observe a Homecoming in the spring of 1966. This suggestion was accepted by the church. March, 1966, the church bought an adding machine, and Mrs. Phyllis Warren Edmiston donated two beautiful collection plates in memory of her mother, Mrs. Lorine Searls Warren.

The speaker for Homecoming, which was held April 17, 1966, was Reverend Alex L. Booth, a former pastor. Many of the former members came home on that day, and a very enjoyable time was experienced by all who came.

Mr. Malcolm Glover gave the church the sum of \$60.00, which had been donated in lieu of flowers for his beloved wife, Clida, who passed away in 1965. This money was distributed as follows: To Missionary Carlton Duke, \$20.00; To Missionary Jose Borra, \$20.00; \$20.00 towards the purchase of an automobile to be used by a Japanese Missionary at Southeastern Seminary to be used among the Japanese residents at Fort Bragg Military Reservation.

July 19, 1966, one of Cedar Fork's most prominent members, Hubert H. Green, lost his life in a fall from his barn roof. Mr. Green's custom was never to fail to invite people to church and Sunday School. He loved and served his church faithfully and well. In lieu of flowers, a Memorial Fund was established, and with this fund the Green Family donated a new piano, which was greatly needed. This gift was gratefully accepted by the church.

About this time the pastor's salary was raised to \$3,750.00. The State Highway Commission had begun purchasing land for relocating Highway 70A and building a new highway from Raleigh to Chapel Hill. A \$5,000.00 settlement was offered Cedar Fork Church for damage to church property and use of land in relocating the highway. This was rejected; after many meetings and much consultation between the church and the Highway Commission, the church accepted a check for \$7,000.00. A contractor was employed to excavate dirt and remove trees from the proposed parking lot, and work was begun on this immediately. At a meeting of church members a letter was read from Mrs. Joyce Lloyd McLester, a former member of Cedar Fork Church, in which she enclosed a check for \$500.00, to be used for some need in the church. Reverend Mr. Thompson appointed a committee composed of Rebecca Green, Gloria Colclough, Brenda Ferrell, Virginia Snead, and Gladys Page to decide how the money would be spent. A letter of sincere thanks was sent to Mrs. McLester. An air conditioner for the Nursery, Beginners, and Primary Departments was purchased with a part of the money, and the wall painted and drapes put up; also book shelves were provided for the Primary Department. Unfortunately, the air conditioner, which was a window type, was stolen a few weeks after installation.

October 22, 1967, Reverend Charles W. Thompson read his letter of resignation, as he had accepted a call to Prospect Hill, Hurt, Va., his resignation to take effect November 17, 1967. On Thanksgiving Day he and his family moved away, leaving a vacant pulpit and an empty parsonage. December 10, 1967, Reverend Edward St. Clair, a ministerial student at Duke Divinity School, came to serve as interim pastor.

The Bible on the pulpit stand was greatly in need of repair, as it had been in constant use for a long time. The church paid for the expense of its repair.

Mrs. Maud Colclough, a faithful member of the church, passed away, and in lieu of flowers, money

was contributed with which to erect a beautiful brick sign in front of the church--a wonderful memorial of a lovely character.

The entire parsonage was renovated.

July 21, 1968, the church issued a call to Reverend Louis T. Stokes to become the first full-time pastor at a salary of \$5,500.00 plus social security payments, private telephone, and oil for heating the parsonage. This was accepted, and the Stokes family moved on the field August 4, 1968. Mr. Stokes had just served in Germany with the Red Cross.

Mabel Keith was elected clerk, and has received an award from Yates Association for sending in a perfect church letter for 1969.

October, 1968, the church accepted a combined estimate of \$3,678.00 for installation of central air conditional unit from the Quality Air Condition Company and the Frye Electric Company. The sign memorial for Mrs. Maud Colclough was dedicated Sunday, December 15, 1968. The church voted to have its first pictorial directory in September, 1969, and over 200 people had their pictures made at the church for this directory.

Mrs. Marilyn Baumeister became the first woman to serve as Adult Sunday School Superintendent in January, 1970.

The church adopted a recommendation that the public address and recording system be installed and updated so that the church services could be recorded and carried to the sick and shutin members. The pastor assumed the responsibility of seeing that this project was carried out. The watch light behind the church was moved to the parking area, and more rock was added and a dividing line was made in the parking lot.

Other gifts not before mentioned were made by certain members: Mrs. C. P. Wilkinson, a former member, now deceased, had the pews refinished. Mrs. Mollie Green had the church floors refinished. Mrs. Marguerite Lloyd had tile laid in some of the floors.

Mr. Claude May had the walls and four Sunday School rooms redecorated in memory of his father, Mr. Charlie May, a former member, now deceased. Sunday School gave a lectern in honor of Mr. Hubert Green, for his faithful service as Sunday School Superintendent.

It would be unfair to close this history without a word of praise and gratefulness to the wives of the pastors. Each one has stood loyally by her husband's side and filled many vacant places in our church leadership. They have been interested and faithful and inspiring to each one here. They were friendly and willing to serve wherever there was need.

Certain gifts not listed on other pages come here.

Miss Nora Stone gave individual communion plates and glasses.

Mr. Walter Green gave two collection plates in memory of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Green.

Mrs. Fred C. Lloyd and daughter Betty gave collection plates in memory of their husband and father Fred C. Lloyd.

The Hubert Green Family gave a silver urn in memory of Mr. Hubert Green.

Tribute is paid to the Adult Men's Sunday School Class #1 taught by Lewis Colclough, for their untiring efforts, their interest, their many hours of time, and their gifts to keep the program of Cedar Fork going. This class can be classified as the Right Arm of the Church. There can be no words to describe the wonderful contribution to the church as a whole of this class. There hasn't been a task too difficult or a problem too hard for this class to handle.

Mr. and Mr. C. L. Stone contributed \$750.00 on the purchase of the \$1500.00 tract of land bought from Mrs. R. L. Stone for church expansion.

If there have been omissions of recognition for gifts, we beg pardon for them. This is what we have found records of.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

When this was organized, one conference was held a month. The men met in one room and the women met in another for their society meeting. At first there was one group. Now it has grown to three circles, now called mission groups. These are the Nelson Mission Group, the Duke Mission Group, and the Sue Vernon Mission Group. The Nelson and Duke Mission Groups are composed of the adult women of somewhat advanced age, the Sue Vernon Group is composed of the younger women who work in the daytime and have their meetings at night.

At one time in the organization of the church there was an organization for each auxiliary, but at present we have Intermediate and Junior G. A., Sunbeams, and one R. A. Chapter. The ladies stress Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions in December and the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions in March. The society has two general meetings a year, one in March and one in September. At these meetings all three groups meet together for a business meeting and program. The Training Union seeks to bring out the adults and young people and to train them in the ways of Christ.

## SUMMARY

At the present time Cedar Fork Baptist Church is a very active full-time church with a membership of about 250. She supports well the Cooperative Program and other mission endeavors. As compared to rural churches of similar numerical strength, her witness and community influence are remarkable, availability and potential of leadership above average.

The future of Cedar Fork Baptist Church is somewhat uncertain because of the desirability of the area for research and commercial expansion and



consequent population shifts. But whatever the future holds, the story of Cedar Fork, her people and her ministry, should be preserved; for it is through such churches that the Baptist faith has been nurtured in sunshine and rain. And it is through them that our Nation may hold fast to her greatness. And surely it is within them, that men will continue to be directed toward their Master and His Church.

## APPENDIX A

### Pastors of Cedar Fork Baptist Church from 1805-1970

<u>Pastors</u>	<u>Years</u>
1. Ezekiel Trice	1805-1838
2. James Dennis	1838-1850
3. Johnson Olive	1850-1859
4. A. D. Blackwood	1859-1877
5. J. C. Wilson	1878-1881
6. M. S. Ferrell	1881-1884
7. C. C. Newton	1884-1889
8. C. A. Woodson	1889-1892
9. W. S. Olive	1892-1910
10. E. M. Lassiter	1910-1913
11. Dr. L. E. M. Freeman	1913-1922
12. B. G. Early	1923-1924
13. Dr. L. E. M. Freeman	1924-1929
14. T. Rupert Coleman	1929-1932
15. Paul M. Baisch	1932-1933
16. C. E. Baker	1933-1938
17. N. A. Catlett	1939-1946
18. R. L. Holt	1946-1950
Interim Trela Collins	1950(June-Dec.)
19. E. Weldon Johnson	1951-1952
20. Gerald W. Naylor	1952-1955
21. Alex L. Booth, Jr.	1955-1959

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<u>Pastors</u>	<u>Years</u>
22. J. Carlton Duke	1959-1963
Interim Larry Painter	Aug. 1963
23. C. W. Thompson	1964-1967
Interim Edward St. Clair	Nov.1967-Jul.1968
24. Louis T. Stokes	July 1968-present

Seven ministers of the Gospel have gone out from this church; namely, Gabriel Barbee, W. H. Pope, David Edwards, W. H. Edwards, Willie Hurst, Russell Barbee, and Allan Page. Reverend Christopher Columbus Newton left us to later become a missionary to Africa. He and his wife died and were buried there in 1894.

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## Interviews

I interviewed librarians in our State Library at Raleigh, but did not secure much information about our church.

I interviewed Mr. Charles Chewning, Superintendent of Durham County Schools, because I had some information that said Reverend C.C. Newton, who had one time been our pastor, had been Superintendent of Public Instruction of Durham County Schools before leaving in order to become a missionary to Africa. I hoped to get a picture of him for our book. The office had a file that told of his serving as superintendent for a year, but no picture.











